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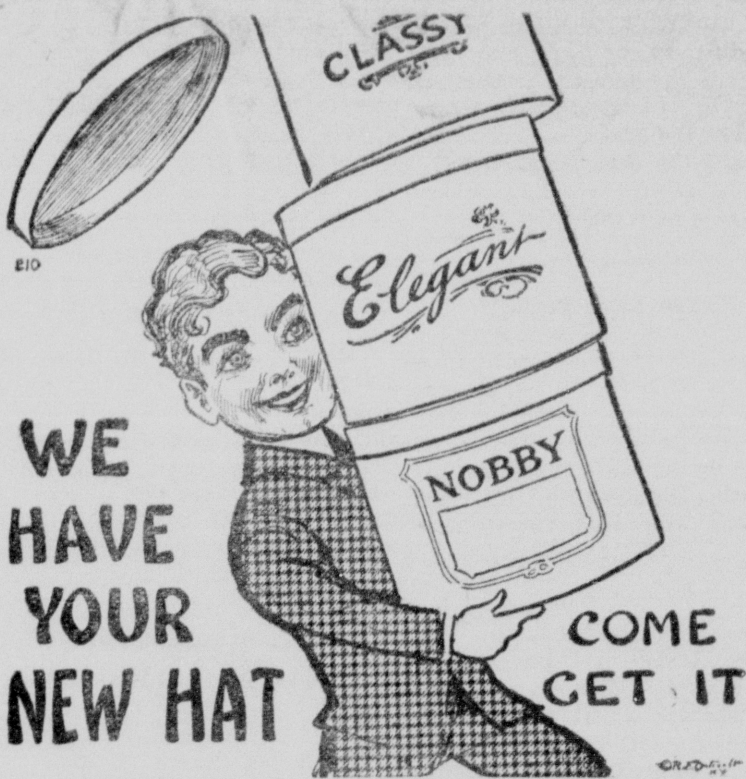
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CARRANZA WANTS TO SEND HIS TROOPS INTO UNITED STATES AFTER THE BANDITS

Wholesale Arrest of Mexicans Suspected of Being Spies was the Feature of the Day at Columbus—Gen. John J. Pershing Probably will Command the Punitive Expedition which Commences Tonight.

ATTACK ON VERDUN IS NOW DWINDLING

APPARENT THAT BIG DRIVE OF THE GERMAN FORCES HAS FAILED IN OBJECT.

By Associated Press.
The Verdun battle is fast dwindling in intensity, says the Paris official statement. However it says there is still violent fighting at Vaux. The Germans made progress along the slopes leading to this position, but have not reached the barbed wire yet. The Germans hold some houses in the eastern part of Vaux, while the French hold the western part. The Germans claim the capture of 1,400 yards of French positions near Rheims.

Flew Over Samos Island.
Athens, March 11.—A German aeroplane Wednesday flew over Samos Island forty miles southwest of Smyrna and threw bombs at the British ships in the harbor, but unsuccessfully.

Portuguese Defense Cabinet.
Lisbon, March 11.—The Portuguese government resigned today to give place to a national defense cabinet now forming.

ENGLISH CHURCH EMPHASIZES WAR LESSON.

Montreal, March 11.—Following the example of the Church of England in Britain, the Bishops of Canada have asked that parish missions be held throughout the Dominion to bring home to the people the spiritual lessons of the war. Montreal will have a series of missions, beginning tomorrow. A circular declares that "We, too, as well as Germany, are serving against Him. We find in these Christian lands indifference to God, slackness of living, bibles unread, sabbaths desecrated, religion a formality, family religion largely extinct, the love of pleasure and excitement dominant, luxurious, selfish and extravagant expenditure, intemperance, profanity, race suicide, greed for gold, graft in high places and in low, bribery and corruption, infidelity and unbelief."

SUMMON JURORS FOR OSBORNE TRIAL.

White Plains, N. Y., March 11.—Extra jurors to the number of 150 have been drawn for the trial of Thomas Moot Osborne, former Warden of Sing Sing and noted social reformer and prison worker, who will face on Monday the charge of perjury brought against him in indictments. Justice Arthur S. Tompkins of the Supreme Court will hear the case, and great is the interest in the case that the extra jurors are provided to meet the many challenges that are expected.

The perjury charge against Osborne is that he denied to Dr. Dieckling, sitting as a Prison Commissioner that, there were cases of immorality in Sing Sing, whereas twenty one indictments were later found against convicts in the prison. It is the contention of the defense that Osborne said there were no cases of immorality then in the prison court, the discrepancy, according to Osborne, being due to a stenographer's error.

By Associated Press.
Washington, March 11.—While American troops are preparing to move across the Mexican border to exterminate the Villa bandits, Carranza in an official communication through Consul Silliman today asked the United States for permission to send his troops into American territory if necessary in pursuit of outlaws. Administration officials regarded this as an indication that he would not protest against the sending of American troops into Mexico. Secretary Baker continued today to refer to the expedition as "defensive." This is significant of the war department's policy to make it clear that it is proceeding with scrupulous regard for Mexican sovereignty. Up to noon no American troops had actually crossed the border. It is believed that none will start before night. Gen. Funston confirmed the report that 100 Carrancistas reached Palomas hunting for Villa. Latest reports say that Villa was at Ascencion, south of Palomas, yesterday. Although no announcement was made, it is understood that Gen. Pershing of El Paso will command the principal forces. The senate foreign relations committee unanimously endorsed the president's action.

Arrested Mexican Spies.
Columbus, N. M., March 11.—Wholesale arrests of Mexicans suspected of being spies were made today as the United States army officers completed the plans for the punitive expedition to Mexico.

Armed Guards on Trains.
Brownsville, Mex., March 11.—The only result of the Washington orders for the punitive expedition in this section is the placing of armed guards on all trains from 100 miles inland to the border.

Militia is Ready.
Austin, Texas, March 11.—Most of the militia organizations in the state have informed Adj. Gen. Hutchings that they are ready for service. Gen. Hutchings has no advice as to their use or disposition.

Form Chicago Regiment.
Chicago, March 11.—With headquarters in a downtown hotel, a regiment is being enlisted here today from business men attending the military training camp last summer.

Charge Villistas With Murder.
Columbus, N. M., March 11.—Seven wounded Villa soldiers captured by United States troops will be given trials in New Mexico state courts charged with the murder of seven American soldiers killed in the Columbus massacre, according to the announcement of state officials today. One was a twelve year old boy.

Will Leave Tonight.
Washington, March 11.—General Funston, to whom the entire punitive expedition has been assigned, has given orders for the capture of Villa, dead or alive, and probably will have his army moving into Mexico by night.

Raided American Ranch.
Columbus, N. M., March 11.—Eighteen mounted Mexicans are reported to have raided the Blankenship ranch, 18 miles east of here, last night. The family, including two children, escaped and crawled into the brush. The raiders are said to have passed into Mexico.

To Use Aero Squadron.
San Antonio, Texas, March 11.—Gen. Funston announced today that,

CORPUS CHRISTI IS IN THE DRY COLUMN

IN ELECTION YESTERDAY THE PROS HAD A SURPRISE UP THEIR SLEEVES FOR ANTIS.

Special to The Times.
Corpus Christi, Tex., March 10.—Complete returns from the twenty-one precincts of Nueces County show that the prohibitionists today sprang a surprise to the antis and increased their already large dry territory in South Texas, the prohibitionists' majority today being 212 votes out of a total of 3314 cast. The pros total was 1802 and the antis 1590.

Bishop and Robstown, the two principal towns in the county with the exception of the city of Corpus Christi, sprang the biggest surprise, Bishop giving the prohibitionists a majority of 132 votes and Robstown giving them a majority of 179 votes. Other precincts that voted dry were Calallen, Agua Dulce, Sunshine, Alta Vista, Oso, London and the Rincon addition to the city of Corpus Christi. In Corpus Christi the antis carried five of the six precincts, their city majority being 219 votes.

GOTCH WILL TRY TO THROW THREE IN ONE MATCH.

Los Angeles, March 11.—Frank Gotch is getting ready for the defence of his wrestling championship, and getting ready with a vengeance. Tomorrow he enters the ring at San Diego and will try to throw three men twice within 90 minutes. His alleged victims are Sam Clapham, the British lion, Herman Stroth, a soldier at Fort Rosencrans, and a third wrestler to be selected.

VIRGINIA HAS TWO MOTHERS OF CIVIL WAR FIGHTERS.

Richmond, Va., March 11.—Mrs. Massie Fulton will celebrate at her home in Hamilton, Va., tomorrow, her 95th birthday. She is one of two women living in this State who had sons in the Civil War. Her first born son was killed while defending Richmond. Attached to her celebration tomorrow there is considerable local interest. Her sister, Mrs. Lydia Ann Virtz, of Waterford, Va., also had a son in the war, but he fought on the Northern side, and is living today. These sisters represent the sharpness with which the lines were drawn during the great struggle, one sending a son to wear the gray and the other to wear the blue.

while he will have the direction of military affairs along the border, the expedition to capture Villa will be in charge of a brigadier general, the name of the commanding officer to be announced from Washington. The full first aero squadron here will be dispatched with the expedition. The organization of the expedition will not be completed for two or three days, Gen. Funston said, as troops are coming from other points.

Censor Mexican Messages.
New York, March 11.—Messages to Mexico are subject to censorship, the cable companies announced today.

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MAY MEAN INTERVENTION.

According to those opposed to the administration's Mexican policy, the attack on Columbus, New Mexico, by a band of Villa outlaws, may mean intervention. At any rate, it has complicated the situation, already a vexing problem to both the president and congress.

Some time ago it was widely advertised that Villa intended to force intervention as his protest against the recognition of the Carranza government. It is presumed that he hoped by forcing the United States to take energetic measures in Mexico to unite the varying factions and to bring all of the discordant elements together in the defense of their country against the American "invasion."

The reports from Columbus state that Villa was seen to be personally directing the attack on the town, and that a portmanteau containing his personal papers was found by American soldiers near their camp after the attack was repulsed.

There is everything to indicate that Villa proposes to carry his war into the United States. Columbus is not even on the border, but is a few miles inland, on the line of railway which runs westward from El Paso, being about 100 miles from the latter city.

During the fight which ensued, fifteen Americans were killed and several others wounded, six of the dead being soldiers. Fourteen Mexican dead were found on the streets of the town after the fight was over, and the bandits were pursued by the cavalry south, presumably across the border, as the town was but a few miles from the dividing line.

Whether or not the raid means intervention, as Senator Clarke said on the floor of the senate, it means more bitterness of feeling along the border, and the partial success of the raid may incite the scattered outlaws to further incursions into our territory.

It is time that some steps were taken to prevent these repeated abuses. Since October the Carranza government has been recognized by our administration as the government of Mexico, and yet there has been nothing done to show any appreciation of that recognition. The frequent killings of Americans have continued, without anything more than a formal expression of regret and an indefinite promise to "do something" to prevent such abuses in the future.

In at least one case the Americans who were murdered were given safe conduct by the Carranza government but were refused an armed escort for their protection.

If the Carranza government is impotent to protect Americans and other foreigners, it should so state, and not continue to send out beguiling notices to the effect that "the country is completely pacified, and we have the situation well under control."

Residents of the border country have all along felt that there was little to be hoped from the de facto government, and its failure to put an end to the conditions of open outlawry and robbery, to say nothing of the frequent incursions across the border, have proved that they were right in their belief.

A definite demand should be made upon the Carranza government to put an end to these outrages. The government should be asked to punish this—as well as all other—violations of our neutrality and to give us some reasonable guarantee that the promise is meant in good faith, as well as being backed by a sufficient force to accomplish the end sought.

For five months the Carranza government has been in power, and within a few weeks of its recognition by President Wilson it sent out the information that it was in complete control of the border and that the Villa bandits had been driven into the interior, where their capture was a matter of hours only.

We are still waiting watchfully for the results of the pursuit of Villa and his outlaws.

UNDERGRADUATE LAW.

The Daily Texan, the bright little journal of the students of the University of Texas, has an editorial complaining of the punishment inflicted upon members of the senior engineering class for having hazed a freshman.

The offense of the "fresh" youth was wearing the "official apparel" of the aforesaid senior class, consisting of khaki trousers and a blue shirt. As the Texan says, "khaki trousers and a blue shirt are a combination of wearing apparel which would hardly suggest itself to any student as a garb to be worn to classes." Why, then, its adoption as an "official" dress for the senior class?

The trouble with so many students, not only in the University of Texas but elsewhere, is that they take them-

selves and their childish dogmas too seriously. Of course, no one not a member of the senior engineering class may be expected to appreciate the enormity of a mere freshman daring to wear the sacred garb of a senior. And it is difficult to see just why students in a state institution should be permitted to haze an offender when the law against hazing is so explicit and so comprehensive.

That any student body should be permitted to make laws which govern other students, not of that body, is too absurd for any consideration. If the senior engineers want to adopt a uniform, that is their privilege. If they have a class yell and a class flower or a peculiar style of a hair cut or even an especial perfume which marks their organization, they are within their rights in demanding that members of their body conform to their rules or be ostracized.

But when they arrogate to themselves the sole right to wear a certain garb, and dare to punish those not of their class who attempt to wear the same, they are beyond the law. Of course, it was not so much the mere fact of wearing the clothing that enraged these most potent, grave and reverend seniors; it was the impudence of the freshman in doing something which they had forbidden.

And here is where the danger of such customs comes in. There are no doubt many men in the University who are much older than the senior engineers, although lower in class rank. At least, that is the case in many other modern institutions of learning.

Are these older and more sedate men, who have gone to the university for the purpose of gaining an education, to be made the mock of implicitly inclined students who are more intent upon the observance of "tradition" or of "college spirit" than they are upon their studies?

There are several customs which savor more of a joke than they do of mischief which are looked upon with tolerance by the faculty as well as the outsiders. Painting the class numerals on the watertower and like student pranks do little damage and are more amusing than annoying.

But hazing of students for real or fancied causes must stop. The rules of the university have forbidden it, and any student who wilfully and knowingly violates those rules should be punished, even to separation from the institution.

The university is a state maintained institution of learning, for the children of the people. It should not become a nest of rowdism, nor is there any danger that it will do so, for the faculty is determined to live up to the best traditions of college life and eliminate all that tends to lower the standard of the institution.

It is regrettable that students need punishment, particularly when they have reached an age and a standing in their classes such as those of the senior engineering students.

But if a man cannot bring himself to think more of the laws of the institution where he is receiving an education paid for by the citizens of his state, it is best for him to transfer himself to some place where the rules are not so strict and where he can indulge in all the fun he believes himself entitled to.

Portugal was forestalled in her plans to break with Germany and the latter declared war against the plucky little country. Ever since the Napoleonic wars Portugal has been an ally of Great Britain, and she has at least shown a more commendable spirit than Roumania and Greece.

Fifteen American dead as the result of one Mexican raid into American territory should be some argument for a change in our rather lax and too conciliatory policy. Villa seems not to have heard of the old proverb: "Let sleeping dogs lie."

Already some enthusiastic soldiers are figuring on what part of Mexico they are likely to spend the summer in. Some of them are willing to go as far as Yucatan. If necessary, while others prefer the more equable climate of Monterey.

ANOTHER NEW BRICK BUILDING

Puig Brothers Will Construct Modern One-Story Brick Building Which Has Been Leased to New Firm.

Puig Brothers of this city are now making preparation for the construction of a handsome and modern one-story brick business house with plate glass front to be erected on their vacant lot on Lincoln street between Flores and Convent Avenues.

Material is now being assembled and work of construction will start shortly. The building has already been leased to parties who will establish a new and extensive hardware business in Laredo.

TIMES WANT ADS.

\$\$\$\$\$ Money Makers \$\$\$\$\$

SECRETARY ACUNA ORDERS THE PILGRIMAGE TO CEASE

TELLS GOVERNORS TO KEEP POORER MEXICANS AT HOME.

Exasperated at the Manner in Which American Health Officers Have Subjected Mexicans to Branding.

While there were none of the threatened retaliatory measures carried into effect in retaliation for the process adopted by the American health authorities here of applying a rubber stamp to the arm of Mexican laborers instead of giving them the regulation health certificates, nevertheless there has been action taken by the Mexican government to forestall any further use of the stamp, or rather to prevent what they term "branding."

Yesterday afternoon a telegram was received by the chief inspector of the immigration service in Nuevo Laredo from Secretary of the Interior Acuña notifying him that instructions had been wired to the governors of the states of Tamaulipas, Nuevo Leon, Coahuila and San Luis Potosi, telling them to allow no more of the poor or lower class of Mexicans to leave their states for the Texas border, where Mexicans were being branded by American health officers. The wire also requested that the immigration chief arrange to send back to their homes any poor Mexicans who might have reached the border on their way to the United States and became stranded there because of the restrictions of the quarantine laws and the refusal of these poor people to submit to the disgrace or indignity of being branded. The secretary of the interior asks the Nuevo Laredo immigration chief to advise him if any other foreigners are being subjected to similar indignities as the Mexicans.

At first the Mexicans who were merely being stamped on the arm with a little rubber stamp instead of being issued a paper health certificate became fractious and in some instances their ire got the best of them, but they were compelled to submit to the precautionary measure adopted by the American health officers or go back. Since they have been given to understand that on this side of the river law is law and not reticence at will the peons who are the ones who must be guarded against from "leading disease in their path to the interior of the state of Texas have become docile and submissive and take the stamp.

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For further information see MARCOS M. TRIVISO, 801 Zaragoza Street, Agent for Webb County, 34-151.

NEW CARS RUN TOMORROW

Ladies Will Act Roles of Conductors When New Street Cars Will Be Operated Over New Route.

The new and modern street cars recently received by the Laredo Electric & Street Railway Co. will be introduced tomorrow morning, when they will make the initial runs over the diverted route.

The cars are in excellent condition and the initial runs tomorrow will demand a good patronage from the public, for the ladies will act the roles of conductors and collect the fares, these going towards the fund which will be donated by the street car company to the Woman's Club and the Heights Civic Club.

NOTICE, SHERIFF'S SALE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Webb.

By virtue of an Execution, issued out of the Honorable Justice's Court of Webb County, on the 17th day of January, A. D. 1916, by the Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1, Place 2 thereof, in the case of The Texas Company versus Mrs. Ida Muller, No. 183, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell for cash, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on the First Tuesday in April, A. D. 1916, it being the 4th day of said month, before the Court House door of said Webb County, in the City of Laredo, Texas, the following described property, to-wit:

All of Blocks numbers 938, 939, 940, 941, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 1019, 1020 and 1021, situated in the Western Division of the City of Laredo, County of Webb, State of Texas. Also Blocks 126, 130, 178, 422, 423, 424, 425, 427 and 429, situated in the Eastern Division of said City, County and State, levied on the 29th day of February, 1916, as the property of Mrs. Ida Muller to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$131.80 in favor of The Texas Company and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 29th day of February, A. D. 1916.

ANTONIO SALINAS, Sheriff, Webb County, Texas. By M. G. BENAVIDES, Deputy.

LEO D. WALKER WAS JAILED

Man Connected With Local Sheet Arrested Yesterday Charged With Libel of a Laredo Policeman.

Leo D. Walker, one of the editors of a Mexican sheet published in this city, was arrested yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Herrera on a warrant sworn out charging him with libel of the character of Policeman Bernardo Gamboa.

Walker was arrested and incarcerated in the "county refrigerator" for about two hours, but was subsequently released when he furnished \$300 bond set by Justice Benavides.

TWO CONCERTS WEEKLY

Ninth Infantry Band Will Give Concerts Wednesday and Thursday Nights and Probably on Sunday.

According to announcement made this morning by Captain Smith, adjutant of the Ninth Infantry Regiment, arrangements have been completed whereby the Ninth Infantry Band will give two concerts weekly, beginning on next Wednesday evening.

On each Wednesday evening during the summer the band will play at the Ninth Infantry Camp, where a bandstand has been erected to accommodate them, while on Thursday evening of each week the band will give a concert on Jarvis Plaza. If present arrangements are completed by a committee of citizens who have that matter in charge, a fund will be subscribed and used to pay the Ninth Infantry band to give Sunday night concerts throughout the summer season on Martin Plaza.

With two concerts weekly a certainty, and the possibility of one on each Sunday night, Laredo will have lots of music in the air the coming summer.

CORPUS PROHIBITION BATTLE

Many Predict That the Antis Will Win; Times Expects to Post Bulletin Tonight Giving Result.

According to advices received here, Corpus Christi is today in the throes of one of the most bitter and exciting prohibition elections ever held in the state of Texas. Being a summer resort, it is a case of life and death with the seaside city, but the antis claim that when the ballots are counted tonight the "wet" city will emerge as lively and promising as when the sirens of the deep down there interjected something terrible into the system of the pros and caused them the dilemma that resulted in the test of strength today.

Nueces county, with the exception of Corpus Christi, is "dry," but Corpus is "intensely wet" and will, by a great vote today, redeem herself without the assistance of outside precincts, which will probably go "dry" by very light majorities. If returns of the Corpus election are received in time, the Times will post a bulletin giving the result in Moser's show window tonight.

TRAIN SCHEDULES CHANGED

Connections Are Now Made and Passengers From Mexico Can Go From Laredo Direct to North.

To make direct connections with the International & Great Northern trains arriving in and leaving Laredo, the Constitutionalist Lines of Mexico have inaugurated a new schedule, which went into effect today.

The train from the south arrives in Nuevo Laredo now at 4:30 a. m. and makes connection with the afternoon train out of Laredo, in fact gives passengers a long layover here, as the first train out of Laredo for the north leaves at 12:40 noon. Another train arrives in Laredo from Saltillo at 4 p. m. and makes connection with the train leaving here at 8 p. m. for the north. Trains to Saltillo leave Nuevo Laredo at 8 a. m. and 4 p. m. At Saltillo the trains make connection for Mexico City. A Pullman service is to be installed soon.

Colds Quickly Relieved.

Many people cough and cough— from the beginning of Fall right through to Spring. Others get cold after cold. Take Dr. King's New Discovery and you will get almost immediate relief. It checks your cold, stops the racking, rasping, tissue-tearing cough, heals the inflammation, soothes the raw tubes. Easy to take, Antiseptic and Healing. Get a 50c bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery today. "It is certainly a great medicine and I keep a bottle of it continually on hand" writes W. C. Jesseman, Franconia, N. H. Money back if not satisfied.

How to Prevent Croup.

When the child is subject to attacks of croup, see to it that he eats a light evening meal, as an attack of stomach may bring on an attack, also watch for the first symptom—hoarseness, and give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse. Obtainable everywhere.

DRASTIC ACTION ORDERED BY WILSON TO PUNISH BANDITS WHO RAIDED IN U. S.

American Troops were Ordered to Cross the Border to Capture or Kill the Villista Bandits who Yesterday Raided Columbus, New Mexico—Parallel Case with Former Procedure of United States.

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Washington, March 10.—President Wilson today ordered American troops over the Mexican border to capture or kill the Villa bandits who yesterday raided Columbus, New Mexico.

The flash statement issued at the White House said: "Adequate forces will be sent at once in pursuit of Villa, with the single object of capturing him and putting a stop to his forays. This can and will be done in an entire friendliness to the constituted authorities of Mexico."

The president's order in the present stage does not mean intervention. It provides for a punitive expedition to deal with the lawless forces over which Carranza has no control. The American government wants Villa dead or alive. No steps will be neglected to carry out that object. Not less than 5,000 men will be used, all from Funston's commands. The action was decided this morning by the cabinet, which said that Villa must be eliminated as was Huerta. Mexican Ambassador Arredondo would not comment on the news. He said yesterday, however, that in his opinion Carranza would not resent such action. No plans were made, so far as known, for the use of the National Guard. It is considered probable that the Atlantic fleet might be placed in Mexican waters to protect Americans in coast towns. Official Washington generally commends the president for his action.

In Crossing Border History Repeats Itself.

It will be remembered by old-timers in this section of the Texas border that during the Catarino Garza revolution in 1891 President Cleveland ordered United States troops to cross the Rio Grande at Camargo in pursuit of the Garza rebels. As soon as this act was done President Diaz of Mexico simultaneously issued an edict ordering the troops at Matamoros to immediately co-operate with the American troops and assist them in every way in the capture while they were pursuing bandits on Mexican soil. And after that the Garza revolution was suppressed within the following two weeks.

VERDUN NOT TAKEN AND LULL IN FIGHT

KILLED BY AUTO.

By Associated Press, Wichita, Kans., March 10.—George Newton of Bartlesville, Okla., was killed and three other men and two women were slightly injured when their auto skidded 100 feet and turned over while traveling at high speed today.

RUSSIANS LANDED ON TURKISH COAST AND TREBIZOND WILL SOON BE TAKEN.

By Associated Press.

The capture of Ablain wood was announced by Berlin, and it was stated that the French regained a foothold in the Vaux forts. A momentary lull in the infantry fighting is reported by Paris. Russian troops landed on the Black Sea coast of Turkey and the occupation of Trebizond is imminent, according to consular reports to Washington.

French Liner Sunk.

Paris, March 10.—A Havas despatch from Hayre says the French liner Louisiana was sunk last night. The crew was saved. No passengers were aboard. It is presumed the vessel was sunk by the same submarine that has been operating along this coast and which torpedoed the Hermantrix.

British Warships Sunk.

London, March 10.—The British torpedo boat destroyer Coquette and the torpedo boat No. 11 were sunk by striking mines, it was officially announced. There were 45 casualties in connection with the sinkings.

POLITE CONDUCTOR.

A street car was getting under way when two women rushing from opposite sides of the street to greet each other met right in the middle of the car track and in front of the car. There the two stopped and began to talk. The car stopped, too, but the women did not appear to realize that it was there. Certain of the passengers, whose heads were immediately thrust out of the windows to ascertain what the trouble was, began to make sarcastic remarks, but the two women heeded them not.

Finally the motorman showed that he had a saving sense of humor. Leaning over the dashboard he inquired in the gentlest of tones: "Pardon me, ladies, but shall I get you a couple of chairs?"—New York Globe.

Take Po-Do-Lax in Spring.

In winter our blood gets thick, our pores close, we feel tired and dull when hot days come. What we need is a spring liver tonic, something to rid our system of winter's accumulated waste. Po-Do-Lax will do it. It stimulates the bile, empties the bowels. The organs become more active and in a little while you feel like new. Don't neglect cleaning out your system. Take Po-Do-Lax and you will feel fine. 50c. at your druggist.

Death of Diego Mayanza.

Yesterday at four o'clock Diego Mayanza, a resident for years of Laredo, died at his home after an illness of several weeks. He was born in Matamoros Nov. 23, 1867. He leaves to mourn his loss three sisters, five brothers and several nephews and nieces. The funeral will be at 4 o'clock this afternoon from San Agustin pro-cathedral and interment will be made in the Catholic cemetery.

WEBB COUNTY FARMERS FORM PERMANENT ORGANIZATION

OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS WERE ELECTED LAST NIGHT.

A. C. Richter President and Treasurer, Executive Board Represents All Districts.

At the meeting of Webb County farmers last night a permanent organization of the farmers was formed as an auxiliary to the Laredo Chamber of Commerce. This organization of the farmers was formed as an auxiliary to the Laredo Chamber of Commerce. This organization will have charge of the farm demonstration work and will hold regular monthly meetings in the Chamber of Commerce quarters for the determination of all matters affecting the farming interests of this section.

The following officers were elected: August C. Richter, president and treasurer; Ambrose Johnson and Steve Simon, vice-presidents; Joseph W. Kenney, secretary. The following constitute the executive committee: August C. Richter, S. N. Johnson, Ambrose Johnson, W. J. Sames, Chester Nye, Steve Simon, D. D. Davis, L. A. Morrow and B. J. Leyendecker, the object being to secure representatives on the executive committee from all districts.

August C. Richter, as chairman of the temporary committee of the farmers' committee, called the meeting to order and in a pointed business-like statement, urged the necessity for a permanent organization of the farmers, which would enable them not only to give permanence and stability to the direction of the business end of the farm demonstration work, but would enable them to act in an organized capacity upon important issues affecting their welfare as they arose. The chair was instructed to appoint a finance committee and President Richter will announce his appointments in a few days. The committee on permanent organization consisted of J. S. Westbrook, chairman; D. D. Davis, L. J. Christen, A. H. Nunn and I. Alexander.

A pain in the side or back that catches you when you straighten up calls for a rubbing application of BALLARD'S SNOW LINIMENT. It relaxes the contracted muscles and permits ordinary bodily motion without suffering or inconvenience. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

CARRANZA CURRENCY DROPS.

Mexican Paper Money Depreciated to the Minimum Point Recorded Since it Was Put in Circulation.

According to the news just received from Mexico City concerning the new low record for Carranza currency, nobody can blame the merchants of Monterrey, Nuevo Laredo and other Mexican cities for refusing to take this practically worthless paper money, for the bills of denominations larger than five pesos are tabooed by the business men. The currency is very fluctuating in value, but here is what a Mexico City dispatch says concerning the low water mark reached by the Carranza currency:

"After a panic today among business institutions, due to the Carranza paper peso falling to a new low value of 2 1/2 cents gold, the prospects tonight are much brighter, owing to the prevailing opinion that the finance department has found a solution which will bring Mexican paper money to a point three times higher than its present value."

Children who have worms are pale, cross, fretful, and sickly most of the time. To rid the little body of these parasites WHITE'S CREAM VERMIFUGE is an approved remedy. When the worms have been driven out the child grows strong, healthy and robust. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.

Speedoline.

This scientific preparation will produce more power, more speed and greater efficiency. It will reduce the gasoline consumption more than 25 per cent and prevent carbon formation in the cylinders, and in automobiles will give 30 per cent more mileage per gallon of gasoline used.

For further information see MARCOS M. TREVISIO, 801 Zaragoza Street, Agent for Webb County, 3-4-15f.

Colds Quickly Relieved.

Many people cough and cough—from the beginning of Fall right through to Spring. Others get cold after cold. Take Dr. King's New Discovery and you will get almost immediate relief. It checks your cold, stops the racking, rasping, tissue-tearing cough, heals the inflammation, soothes the raw tubes. Easy to take, Antiseptic and Healing. Get a 50c. bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery today. "It is certainly a great medicine and I keep a bottle of it continually on hand" writes W. C. Jesseman, Franconia, N. H. Money back if not satisfied.

SOCIETY

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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Thursday.

The Ladies Card Club of Fort McIntosh will meet at the Ninth Infantry Club at half past two o'clock in the afternoon.

Friday.

Laredo Choral Club will meet with Mrs. T. A. Austin at four o'clock in the afternoon. Bishop Johnston Junior Auxiliary will meet at the rectory with Mrs. Charles Cook at four o'clock in the afternoon. The B. Y. P. U. Jr. will meet at the Baptist Church at four o'clock in the afternoon.

If any little word of mine Can make your life the brighter, If any little song of mine Can make your heart feel lighter, If any little care of mine Can draw your soul the nearer, If any little love of mine Can make me love you dearer, God help me speak that little word, And sing that little song; God make me care, and give me love, To help the world along.

General Mention.

Miss Alice Denike expects to go to San Antonio on Friday on a short visit.

Mrs. B. F. Wright and children have returned home from a short visit to Corpus Christi.

Mrs. J. K. Thompson is attending the Women's Missionary Conference in Uvalde, having gone as a delegate from the Missionary Society of the Methodist Church of Laredo, and will return the latter part of the week.

Misses Margaret and Katherine McGown, two charming society girls of San Antonio, who have been the guests of their brother, Mr. Davis McGown, of North Laredo, returned home on Monday.

Mrs. Charls Moser, accompanied by Miss Irene Moser, left last night for San Antonio. They expect to attend the presentation of "Every Woman" and will return home on Sunday.

Announcements.

The Sextette Club will hold no meetings until after Easter, and will then meet with Miss Courtney Slaughter.

Camping Party.

A party composed of Mr. Adolph Deutz, Mrs. A. D. Huberich, Mrs. Thekla Biskamp, Mr. Henry Deutz and Mr. Peter D. Parker left this afternoon in automobiles for "Camp Adolphus" on the Nueces river for a few days camping and fishing expedition. The camping spot is twelve miles east of Cotulla on the Atlee farm.

Club Notes.

The Missionary Society of the Methodist Church held its local meeting at the church yesterday afternoon. There was a very small attendance owing to the absence of members from the city. Those present were Mesdames W. L. Barr, Lampmann, T. A. Bunn and Burnett. The next meeting will be a sewing and social meeting, as the ladies are preparing for an Easter Sale.

Makes Baby Week Eventful.

One-half of the world does not know how the other half lives; one-half of the world enjoying the bounty of well provided homes does not realize or appreciate the pathos of pinched faces, the homes of want, the places where children must live as best they may, face hardships and want, face the enemy of health. God sends children into the world for another purpose than merely to keep up the race, to enlarge our hearts and make us unselfish. God sends children into the world just as He sends flowers, in order that they may bring with them happiness, in order that they can inspire their parents and elders with bigger and better thoughts. Children are God's apostles, declares the poet Lowell, sent for day by day to preach of love and hope and peace.

Everyone should co-operate to make "Baby Week" one of the most eventful weeks of the year. We should unite in spreading knowledge and in building up a more satisfactory sanitary understanding.—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

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WOMEN IN THE NEWS.

Quebec, P. Q.—The fight wages by Canadian women during the past few years to remove the barriers which prevent the practice of law by women in the Province of Quebec has been given a severe setback in the Legislative Assembly. By a vote of seven to two, the members of the Legislation Committee, which is itself made up of lawyers, rejected the measure which would admit women to legal practice. The two members who stood by the women are Col. Armand Lavergne, the brilliant orator and lawyer, and Lucien Cannon, launched the debate in the assembly. One of the most interesting speakers in behalf of the measure was Dr. Ritchie of England. She propounded the question, "Have men the moral right to refuse progress to a woman who qualifies herself in an honorable calling?" She declared that women have been forced to enter the struggle with men for their living. The aspiring women lawyers are not giving up the fight, and they declare the present decision only delays the day when women can practice law in Quebec.

Washington.—Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey, founder and honorary dean of the Washington College of Law, where young women lawyers are being trained, reports that the endowment fund which women lawyers are raising for the dean's chair at the institution is steadily growing. Virginia and Maryland women are among the heavy contributors. There is also a melting pot, into which jewelry is being contributed for the girl lawyers.

Paterson, N. J.—Miss Barbara Bourhill, 21 years old, a silk weaver who went into the mills at the age of fifteen, has been chosen from thirty contestants as soloist at the musical festival to be held here in April. The mill girl has been studying music only two years. She is the eldest of six children, and her girlhood was spent in the mills, aiding her parents to keep the family in thrifty circumstances. The mill-girl songbird has developed into a local celebrity.

St. Louis.—That criminals can be cured by cooking is the belief of Mrs. Henry W. Rentschler, who recently expounded her views before the Belleville Domestic Science Club. She says that want and hunger produce more criminals than any other factor, that the best way to alleviate this distress is by teaching every girl how to cook. Her theory that most crimes are caused by empty stomachs and stomachs upset by poorly cooked food has created extensive comment, and it has many champions among prison reformers.

Take HERBINE for indigestion. It relieves the pain in a few minutes and forces the fermented matter which causes the misery into the bowels where it is expelled. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists.

RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

Texas Mexican.

Leaves for Corpus Christi at 8:20 a. m.

Arrives from Corpus Christi at 3:55 p. m. Standard time.

International & Great Northern.

Through fast train for St. Louis leaves at 12:40 and arrives at 2:15 p. m.

I. & G. N. Night Train.

Leaves at 8 p. m. and arrives at 7:15 a. m.

Rio Grande & Eagle Pass.

Train No. 1 leaves Laredo daily except Sunday at 8 a. m. Arrives at Minera at 10:30 a. m.

Train No. 2 leaves Minera daily except Sunday at 1:15 p. m. Arrives at Laredo at 3:30 p. m.

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Display at Bon Ton.

Watch for the date of our Smart Millinery Display that will far surpass any display of previous seasons, not only in brilliancy of color but in variety and attractiveness of styles—a display of milady's headgear not soon to be forgotten. We want you to make every effort to come and see for yourself the many charming patterns we will display.

BON TON MILLINERY.

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PERSONALS

Frank Putegnat of San Antonio is a guest at the Ross.

John Dillard is in the city from his ranch down the Texas Mexican.

H. E. Johnson of Moore is a guest at the Hamilton.

Roy E. East of Hebronville is a visitor in the city.

Henry Deutz arrived in the city yesterday for a short visit to relatives and friends.

D. D. Davis, superintendent of the Cannel Coal Co.'s mines at Dolores and Darwin, came in yesterday on a short business visit and returned home this morning.

HAMILTON.—A. J. Williams, G. E. Smith Jr., Monterey; Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Alvarez, Gomez Palacio, Mex.; L. Rose, Del Rio; Mrs. Carlos Moser, Los Angeles; F. T. Anderson, El Paso; A. L. Reynolds, San Antonio; H. E. Johnson, Moore; R. E. East, Hebronville; D. D. Davis, Dolores; L. Haynes, Ranch; Sam R. Hanncutt, Fort Worth; H. S. Kirkland, Rio Grande; L. T. Harned, Zapata; O. Pratt, Encinal; Percy Williams, Chicago; A. R. Bacon, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Gregory, San Antonio.

ROSS.—E. Cueva and son, Martini-alto Calzad, Monterey; Jesus B. Flores, Saltillo; Frank Putegnat, San Antonio; A. G. Cotero, San Antonio; R. W. Willey, Monterey; H. W. Mihle, Chicago, Ill.; Louis Racasta, North Laredo; L. C. Alvarez and wife, Monterey; Juan Brozon, Durango; F. R. Cañedo, Guadalajara; C. Gulleitiqui, Monterey; J. H. Skepper, A. F. Hiatt, San Antonio.

BENDER.—James Otye, Houston; Erie F. McCarty, Caldwell; Leslie Payne, F. H. Thraw, R. Scott, J. F. Henderson, A. G. Webb, San Antonio; Lee M. Kermy, Del Rio; James O'Keefe, Chicago; J. H. Tucker and wife, Braummont, Mex.; Mrs. E. L. Wilson, Tampico; Geo. Minus, Del Rio; V. Ligon, W. B. Almond, L. G. Smith, Tampico; J. R. Huffington, Dallas; J. J. Clements, Austin; Mrs. A. Branyore, Dallas; P. L. Intosh, Abe Meyers, E. D. Dygney, San Antonio; E. B. Thaw, New York; Carl Starr, B. Bymoder, San Antonio; J. Donnell, Austin; O. C. Gerdes, T. H. Fitzimmon, San Antonio; Claude A. Brown, F. D. Rainnater, Dallas; S. M. Youngblut, Chicago; F. A. Meurin, H. B. Barner, San Antonio; H. N. Thomas and wife, D. V. Beley, Jackson, Tenn.; J. M. Bates, St. Louis, Mo.

OHIO SETS NEW RECORD.

Columbus, O., March 9.—Application in letter and spirit of the important changes in the judicial system made by the Constitution of 1912 has left the Ohio Supreme Court with the smallest amount of work on hand that it has for at least half a century. For an entire month the court will be in practical recess because of the small number of cases on its docket. The situation that has developed has given rise to discussion, and the conclusion has been reached that in important respects the framers of the judicial changes succeeded in accomplishing the ends they sought, but that in minor respects their calculations went awry. The most important aim has been attained in the expedition of the disposition of cases.

It is now possible to hear a case filed in the Supreme Court within thirty days after a petition is presented, and, unless there is undue delay in the lower tribunal, to get a case through the Common Pleas, Appellate and Supreme Courts within a twelve month. The average time before the amendment to the constitution was between four and five years.

To further expedite Ohio court business, the suggestion has been made authoritatively that the most advantageous plan would be to permit the Chief Justice to assign Justices of the Supreme Court to sit as Courts of Appeal, with final jurisdiction in districts where the local Appellate Courts are crowded with work. It is even suggested that the Chief Justice be empowered to assign himself or one of his associates as Common Pleas Judges in the trial of cases of more than local interest. This plan prevails in England, where the Lord Chief Justice frequently sits as a trial judge. This suggestion would give the judges plenty of work to do and would aid in the expedition of the trial of cases while preserving the "one-trial-one-review" feature of the Constitution.

How to Prevent Croup.

When the child is subject to attacks of croup, see to it that he eats a light evening meal, as an overloaded stomach may bring on an attack, also watch for the first symptom—hoarseness, and give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse. Obtainable every where.

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MEXICAN BANDITS ATTACK MAY CAUSE INTERVENTION SAYS SENATOR CLARKE

Villa Outlaws Attacked Town of Columbus, New Mexico, Killing Fifteen Americans and Setting Fire to Town, but Were Driven Off by American Cavalry and are Being Pursued Across the Border.

TUG CUT IN TWO.

By Associated Press. Newport News, Va., March 9.—The Old Dominion passenger steamer Madison and the tug Daniel F. Willard collided today at Hampton Roads. The tug was cut in two and sank immediately. There was no loss of life.

DOUBLE HANGING IN GEORGIA.

Brunswick, Ga., March 9.—Brunswick is to have a double hanging tomorrow. Two negroes, condemned for murder of members of their own race, will be hanged. Ashley Pollard, convicted of wife-murder, and Aaron Williams who killed a negro constable, were sentenced to die on March 10 by Judge Thomas in the Superior Court.

OPEN UP ANOTHER SOUTH DAKOTA TRACT.

Washington, March 9.—Tomorrow approximately 790,000 acres in South Dakota will become subject to entry in 320 acre tracts, under the enlarged homestead law. The land is non-irrigable in character, and located in six counties in the western part of the state.

WILSON'S BACKERS TALK IN JERSEY.

Newark, N. J., March 9.—U. S. Senator J. Hamilton Lewis of Illinois will be the principal speaker at the annual dinner of the Lawyers' Democratic Club, to be held tonight. Sen. or Lewis comes as the spokesman of the Administration, and will talk preparedness. Senators Hughes and Martine of New Jersey will also be guests and speakers.

COAST GUARD WATCHING THE ICEBERGS.

Washington, March 9.—The coast guard cutter Tampa sails from Key West today for New York, where she will be fitted out for service in the icy waters of the North Atlantic, watching the ice-berg drift and notifying vessels by wireless of the position of the drifting glaciers that are breaking away from the arctic and drifting southward.

The coast guard cutter Seneca is now on the Grand Banks doing ice patrol duty, and is daily sending out ice warnings. She will be relieved by the Tampa, as soon as the latter is equipped and ready for this service.

The daily warnings are picked up by vessels equipped with radio apparatus, and the mariners are thus to avoid the bergs. The importance of this system of safeguarding navigation was shown by the great disaster to the Titanic. Many other vessels have met their doom while speeding through the fogs on the ocean routes to and from Europe. From now until midsummer, these great frozen ice masses will be crossing the regular routes of steamer travel. The cutters of Uncle Sam become a clearing house for all information concerning these bergs. They gather from other vessels and from their own observation all the available information, and the engineers are able to tell the latitude and longitude from day to day of every floating mass of ice.

The cadets at the Coast Guard Academy at New London, Conn., will be taken on the annual cruise in May. The cutter Itasca, which has been doing duty at San Juan and on the Porto Rican coast, will be relieved for this duty.

OREGON IRRIGATION MEET.

Salem, Ore., March 9.—The Oregon irrigation, drainage and rural credits conference opened here today at the capitol. J. W. Brewer is presiding. The gathering is one of the most important ever held in this state, for it is believed by the leading men of the state that a policy of irrigation and drainage will assure the settlers and bring a big increase in population and production.

By Associated Press.

Washington, March 9.—Senator Clarke of Arkansas in the senate today said the Columbus affair meant intervention. "I don't see what else can be done," he said. The president faces a new Mexican crisis.

Fifteen Americans Killed.

Columbus, N. M., March 9.—Fifteen American civilians and soldiers were killed early this morning when 500 Villa bandits attacked this town and held it in possession for an hour and a half. They were driven off by three troops of the Thirteenth Cavalry at 6 o'clock, leaving part of the town in flames. The Mexican dead dotted the streets where they had been posted picking off the Americans as they emerged from dwellings and hotels. Several guests were burned to death in the Central Hotel. The American death list, as far as known, includes six soldiers and Milton James and wife, J. S. Dean, C. C. Miller, A. L. Ritchie and W. R. Walker.

The Villa soldiers crossed the border three miles south of here where the fight began. They came to town in a deep ditch paralleling the railroad track. When he heard them approaching Lieut. Castleman, officer of the day, turned out all the men in the cavalry camp here. Shrieking battle yells, the Mexicans in overwhelming numbers rushed savagely into the town. The first volley of shots woke the townspeople. The official army report to Washington said that six American soldiers were killed and four wounded. Other Americans killed were J. J. Moore, Walton Walker and an unidentified chauffeur from El Paso. Fourteen dead Mexicans were counted.

Villa is said to have been seen by several Americans directing his men. They cut the telegraph wires to prevent calls for American troops at El Paso. It was learned today that Arthur McKinney, foreman of the

THE GERMAN ATTACK IS AGAIN REPULSED

BERLIN CLAIMS CAPTURE OF NUMEROUS POSITIONS SURROUNDING VERDUN FORTRESS.

By Associated Press.

The village and fort of Vaux have been captured by the Germans, the Berlin war office announces. It says that numerous adjoining positions were also captured. An assault was made last night on Verdun. The French repulsed repeated attacks on Bethincourt, according to Paris, and again near Douaumont. German residents throughout Portugal were advised to proceed to Spain immediately, according to Lisbon. It is supposed that the diplomats will leave this week.

Germany Declared War.

Berlin, March 9.—A bulletin today says that Germany declared war on Portugal yesterday at 3 o'clock. The Portuguese minister was given his passport.

Portugal Expects Rupture.

Paris, March 9.—A Lisbon despatch to Le Matin says that a rupture with Germany is regarded as inevitable by the Portuguese government. Special protective measures have been taken along the coast against submarines. Lighthouses were ordered darkened.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:

Tonight fair, continued cold. Friday fair.

Local Weather Report. The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today: Max. temp. 77 degs. Min. temp. 46 degs. General direction of wind: South. Clear.

BRYAN AT TOLEDO.

Toledo, O., March 9.—William Jennings Bryan's announced intention of making Ohio "my opening battleground" will draw his adherents to hear his speech here tonight. The preparedness program of his former chief will be his target.

McADOO GOING TO CONFERENCE.

Washington, March 9.—Secretary of the Treasury and Mrs. McAdoo expect to leave tomorrow on their trip to South America. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Peters, Mr. Paul Warburg and other officials and their families will also go on the trip. During the absence of her parents, little Miss Ellen Wilson McAdoo will be a guest at the White House, in the particular care of Mrs. Wilson and Miss Margaret Wilson.

WOULD NOT TEMPT PROVIDENCE.

Many years ago a trial was in progress in San Francisco, and counsel for defendant was cross-examining a witness for plaintiff. An earthquake shook the chandeliers and dislodged a portion of the ceiling. Jurors, witnesses and spectators started for the door, but the judge checked the exodus of the lawyers by retaining his seat and his composure, and exclaiming, "Gentlemen, flat justice run ceiling." The seismic disturbance being over, the crowd returned.

"You can proceed with the cross-examination of the witness," said the judge to the counsel for defendant. "Pardon me, your honor," was the reply, "but after the late exhibition of the displeasure of the Almighty at the lies this witness was telling I do not care to invoke divine wrath. I will ask him no more questions."—Case and Comment.

Palomas ranch, William Cabbett and James O'Neal were captured by Villa Tuesday, hanged and their bodies burned.

Personal papers of Villa contained in a portmanteau were found by United States troopers west of the American camp.

The American soldiers killed were: Frank Kendall, Sergt. M. A. Dobbs, Corporal Paul Simon, Sergt. John Nievergelt, Corporal Harry Wiswall, Private Fred Griffin.

Official Washington Aroused.

Washington, March 9.—Official Washington awaited with interest for a detailed report on the Columbus raid today. The state department said the situation was "very grave," but there was no announcement of what action will be taken until the official investigation is concluded. Gen. Funston's official report said that cavalymen were pursuing the bandits south. The raid started a new agitation in congress, where those who have opposed the administration's Mexican policy openly charged that the attack was proof of their repeated declarations that the Carranza government is impotent to deal with the situation. Secretary of War Newton Baker, who took office today, transmitted to President Wilson reports on the attack as quickly as they were received at the war department. It was said at the White House that vigorous steps would be taken to punish the bandits. The president directed that Secretary Baker do everything possible to protect Americans.

Colonel Lopez Killed.

Columbus, N. M., March 9.—A bulletin issued this afternoon says that Colonel Pablo Lopez, second in command to Villa, was killed.

PROPOSALS FOR PACK MULES:—Office Depot Quartermaster, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.—Sealed proposals will be received here until 11 A. M., Central time, March 17, 1916, and then opened for furnishing 100 pack mules. Further information on application.

Just Received.

* A lot more Mazda-shaped Lamps of 25 and 40 watts. Five for \$1.00. Laredo Elec. & Telephone Supply Co. Royal Theatre Building.

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WHO IS TO BLAME.

While a hundred prisoners were being given a disinfecting bath in the El Paso jail, a man arrested for vagrancy struck a match to light his cigarette and the inflammable liquid exploded, killing eighteen of the unfortunates and injuring many others.

The officials declare that they had warned all the prisoners against lighting matches, but what were the officials doing not to see to it that no matches were permitted in the room where the bath was being prepared?

In all such accidents where carelessness is the cause, there is someone to blame. Even if a prisoner was so ignorant or so reckless that he was willing to take the risk merely for the pleasure of a forbidden smoke, those in authority should have seen that there was no means of striking a light where such a dangerous material was being used.

Much the same sort of a bath is being used in Nuevo Laredo to disinfect the Mexicans of the lower classes before they are permitted to cross into this country. So far there has been no accident, and if the most ordinary precautions are taken there should be no chance of one.

In El Paso the prisoners were taken into the room where the bath was to be given only after they had been stripped. There should be little chance for a naked man to hide matches and cigarettes about his person, unless the supervision of the officials was so lax that there was no search made of the prisoners after they had removed their clothing.

Shortly after the explosion rumors began to circulate in Juarez just across the river from El Paso, that the Mexican prisoners had been locked in the jail and the building set afire. Of course the rumor was too ridiculous to receive any attention from a person capable of using the most ordinary judgment, but it was seized upon by some of the Mexicans as a pretext to start rioting, and a car loaded with Americans was fired into by some Mexicans said to be Carranza soldiers. The motorman was shot through the head and afterward trampled by the frantic passengers who sought to escape the bullets, and as a consequence he will die.

This is another result of the prevalent typhus in Mexico which is causing so much trouble along the border. In former times the Mexicans coming from an infected district would not be permitted to enter the United States, but now the advances of medical science are such that it is possible to disinfect the clothing of the people exposed to the infection and destroy the vermin which are the real carriers of the disease without endangering the lives of others.

Naturally the untoward event will be used by those who are opposing the disinfection measures as another argument in favor of stopping all activity along that line.

But even though several lives have been lost through an accident which can be indirectly traced to the fumigation process, the latter will not be dropped so long as any trace of typhus remains in Mexico, to become a direct menace to the lives of American citizens.

The fumigation in Nuevo Laredo is under the control of our federal public health service, and is costing our government a considerable sum daily. But the government believes that it is money well spent so long as it prevents any introduction of the dread disease into our midst, and no doubt the precautions taken by our health officials are sufficient to prevent any such disaster as that at El Paso.

The condition in which freight cars are frequently found after the fumigating process is indication of the necessity for the work being insisted upon, and the Mexican authorities themselves, as well as their doctors, are convinced that only a strict adherence to the rules and regulations laid down by our health authorities has prevented the introduction of typhus and other diseases into our midst.

And the work will be kept up despite any accidents which may arise from it through no fault of the health authorities.

AN INSANE ATTACK.

As an example of the lengths of insanity to which the German editor of the German organ The Fatherland has been led by his desire to see the Germans triumph in the present war, his attack on President Wilson in the current number will show the people of this country what the German propaganda in the United States really leads to.

The German writer opens his statement by the following:

"During that memorable meeting between the spokesmen of congress and Woodrow Wilson last week the president, throwing aside all restraint, declared that it was for the best interests of the United States to join the allies. It was at this point

of their conversation that Senator Stone banged his fists and said: 'Mr. President, here is where I break with you.' This story has reached us from authoritative sources."

Not only has President Wilson categorically denied any such statement, or anything which could be distorted into such a version of the conference, but Senator Stone, the other party to the alleged interview, has stated on the floor of the senate that no such conversation took place.

The Fatherland speaks of the "Terrific rebuke administered to Woodrow Wilson by congress." The rebuke consists of a majority so large that it was surprising, even in the conservative senate, when it came to backing the attitude of the administration, and the majority in the house on the proposition to permit only four hours' debate on the McLeMore resolution was also so great that it practically ends the insurgent program against the administration policies.

The Fatherland writer further attacks Mr. Wilson in the following words:

"By temperament very much akin to that of Sir Edward Grey, Mr. Wilson loves secrecy and the hatching of schemes behind closed doors. To him the people and congress as the representative of the people were only instruments to be used in executing his plans. If his policies were popular, very good, but if not, then he would jam his measures down the throat of an unwilling nation. Mr. Wilson wanted war. He wants war now."

This is so supremely absurd that there is no one who believes it, not even the "American" writer of German articles. So far from being secretive, Mr. Wilson has taken the public into his confidence on every topic that was of national import. He has revolutionized the publicity system by giving out anything that could possibly be of public interest.

So far as "jamming his measures down an unwilling throat," Mr. Wilson has been insistent upon only one thing since the present European war began. He has refused to let the jingoes drive this country into war with any other nation, when all he had to do was to adopt a careless and indifferent attitude and we should have been engaged in hostilities before we knew the cause.

The German writer wants congress to withdraw the protection of the American flag from American citizens "who place themselves under the protection of English guns." The very reverse seems to be the case. The American citizens who sail on British vessels are not "protected" by English guns, but are thereby made the object of attack of German submarines, intimated thereto by the "American" writer for a German paper, who wants the protection of the American flag for his seditious and traitorous sheet, but wants that protection withdrawn from Americans who must travel abroad on their regular business affairs.

Mr. Wilson, so far from becoming allied with the Entente powers, refuses to be drawn into any entangling alliances with foreign powers, even resisting the insidious attempts of the Germans to draw him into line with themselves. He is for American independence of all foreign alliances, and he realizes that neutrality demands a complete severance of our interests from those of any other nation. And congress has shown that it is with him, despite the yarn of a "terrific rebuke."

The Austrians and Germans from the Balkans are reported to be moving to the western front, twenty German warships are said to have left Kiel and the Turks are abandoning the Balkan campaign for the Caucasus. Altogether things promise a more active campaign in the near future, and it may be the dying flurry of the whale.

The fight on the McLeMore resolution seems to be already won and the administration forces are jubilant. There is not much satisfaction for the hypenated citizens or their allies abroad in the situation.

A German torpedo boat captured a Swedish vessel and was taking her away when a Swedish torpedo boat came along and called attention to the fact that she was within Swedish territorial waters. Whereupon the German commander apologized and withdrew. Fency a German capturing one of our oil tankers inside of our limits at Galveston, for instance. What would our commanders do?

The report of the leap year dance given by the young ladies says that the "leap year idea was carried out in every detail," even to the punch. Whether or not this is an intimation that there is not enough "punch" to the wooing of Laredo's young men we are unable to determine.

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MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

Bond Election Canvassed and Issue of Bonds Authorized for School Buildings.

The meeting of the city council last night was an interesting one, as much business aside from the usual routine was transacted.

The canvass of the votes cast in the special election for school bonds showed that the proposition carried and the council was authorized to issue the bonds and assess the tax necessary to pay the interest and retire the same.

Variety petitions were read and granted, among which was one from A. R. Vidauri requesting permission to remove a section of the iron railing from the western approach of the Zacate bridge, and one from Rafaela Arizpe requesting a quit-claim deed to lots 4 and 5 in block 128 W. D. because the original deed, which had never been recorded, had been lost. The petition of J. R. Barlow, requesting a quit-claim deed to several blocks in the western division, the original deed having been lost and never recorded, was referred to the mayor and city attorney for report at the next regular meeting.

An ordinance was passed ratifying the act of the mayor and council in obligating the city to pay A. G. Ranney \$632 for building two reinforced concrete bridges over the Chacon.

Election officers were named for the regular election of city officers, which takes place April 4 next.

The mayor was authorized to have plans and specifications made for the building of a new balcony on the side of the Market building.

Upon a favorable report of Alderman Westbrook, Hein and Leyendecker, an ordinance was passed granting the I. & G. N. Co. and the R. G. & E. P. Ry. Co. a right of way over and across certain streets for the purpose of facilitating the exchange of traffic between the respective railway lines.

After all bills and accounts were ordered paid upon their approval by the finance committee, the council adjourned until the next regular meeting.

THIS IS MY 61th BIRTHDAY.

REAR ADMIRAL WALTER FITZHUGH WORTHINGTON.

Rear Admiral Walter Fitzhugh Worthington, U. S. N., expert on materials and tests for the navy, is 61 years old today. He is completing his forty first year in the naval service, and has served on all types of war vessels on the seven seas. His shore duty included teaching at Annapolis and inspecting materials. One of his most notable tasks was the erection and equipment of the naval experiment station at Annapolis. Admiral Worthington was born in Baltimore, March 8, 1855. He was graduated from Maryland Agricultural College and from Annapolis, and was commissioned in 1875. He reached the rank of Rear Admiral in 1913, and will be retired one year from today, under the age regulations.

REDFIELD TALKS TO GROCERS.

Reading, Pa., March 8.—Secretary of Commerce Redfield will be the principal speaker today at the convention of the United Grocer's Association of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

MARCH 8

1775—British soldiers at Boston introduce tar-and-feather punishment.

1793—French national convention abolished imprisonment for debt.

1793—City of Liege, Belgium, was taken by the Austrians.

1811—Bonaparte established many depots of Merino sheep, to encourage sheep breeding in his empire.

1813—Charleston, S. C., illuminated in honor of American naval victories of Hull, Jones, Decatur and Bainbridge.

1814—Wellington defeated the French and entered Bordeaux, in France.

1844—Died—Charles Bernadotte, King of Sweden, once an officer under Napoleon, but who joined the Allies and established a new dynasty.

1855—Niagara suspension bridge was opened to the public.

1862—Gen. Beauregard called upon Southern planters to surrender their bells to be cast into cannon for defense of their plantations.

1862—Daring Southern naval officers, on the captured monitor Merrimack, sank the Cumberland, burnt the Congress and drove the Minnesota ashore.

1900—Dowager Empress of China received wives of foreign ministers at Peking, first time in the history of China.

1915—West Virginia 2 cent passenger fare law declared unconstitutional by the U. S. Supreme Court.

THE WAR:

Great Britain bans cotton from Germany. British preparing for advance at Neuve Chapelle. Austrians claim further victories over Russians in the Carpathians. Resignation of Venizelos brings war issue in Greece.

WEBB COUNTY MAN ON LIST.

Prof. J. F. Johnson is one of the instructors at the Corpus Christi Summer Normal This Year.

The Corpus Christi Summer Normal, which will be held this year from May 30 to July 27, has a former Webb county teacher among the corps of instructors who will be in charge of the normal, he being Prof. J. F. Johnson, formerly principal of the Dolores school.

A number of Laredo teachers annually attend the summer normal at the seaside and no doubt this city will be well represented at the Corpus Christi institute during the coming session.

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ACTIVITIES OF SMUGGLERS

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ABOUT FORTY ARRESTS MADE IN THE PAST TWO MONTHS

Charged With Numerous Offenses From Smuggling \$9,300 Worth of Fine Feathers to Gallon Mezcal.

During the past two months a record has been established in Laredo for the arrest of smugglers of various kinds that is perhaps unprecedented in the latter-day history of this section, as smuggling was believed by many to be on the decline. But the petty smuggling offenses that are now being perpetrated amount to very little insofar as the value of the smuggled goods or articles are concerned—but smuggling is smuggling, whether the aggregate value of the smuggled goods is one dollar or a million dollars.

During the past two months the customs inspectors, immigration inspectors and Deputy United States Marshal Allen Walker have been kept on the move as the result of the activities of the petty smuggling stunts being pulled off along the Rio Grande. One smuggling affair of any large proportions was that wherein a man named Kallman succeeded in getting across the river a trunk containing ornamental (birds of paradise) feathers valued at \$9,300, but he was apprehended and is now enjoying his liberty until the April term of the federal court. As a result of the activities of the officers in keeping their eyes open for smugglers, there are now seventeen men and women in the county jail held on smuggling charges who could not provide bond granted them, while quite a few others at their examining trials were given an opportunity to furnish a small bond and did so.

The smuggling offenses charged against those who are now being held subject to the action of the United States district court which convenes in Laredo next month, represent smuggling of ornamental feathers, smuggling of Mexican drawnwork by both men and women, smuggling of Mexican curios and prohibited articles, smuggling of mezcal by both men and women and other minor law infractions. All of these violators are charged with transgression of the customs laws. Besides these there are also one or two being held for violation of the immigration laws.

At the term of court to be held here next month it is probable that about forty smuggling cases will demand attention from Judge Burns. The penalties that are assessable in these cases range from a day to a year and in the county jail, or a month to a year and a fine of from one dollar to five thousand dollars, or both fine and imprisonment in Fort Leavenworth. For the apprehension of the small smugglers the various officers concerned in their arrest are to be commended for their work, for they have an alert eye on the offenders and brought them within the grasp of the law after any time from sunset to 3 o'clock in the morning.

PROPOSALS FOR PACK MULES:

—Office Depot Quartermaster, Fort Sam Houston, Texas:—Sealed proposals will be received here until 11 A. M., Central time, March 17, 1916, and then opened for furnishing 100 pack mules. Further information on application.

DIRTY CHIMNEY AFIRE

Fireboys Had Early Call This Morning to Place Where a Choked Chimney Was Burning Out.

This morning at 7:20 o'clock an alarm of fire sounded from the First ward and the fire apparatus from Central Station, the motor chemical and the hose wagon made a hurried response to the scene, which was a chimney fire at No. 19 Turbid street, where a lot of soot was ablaze.

As soon as the motor chemical reached the place one of the small Pyrene extinguishers carried as auxiliaries on the truck was detached, and with this the flames were easily extinguished. Moral: Give a chimney sweeper a job if the chimney is choked with soot and thereby avoid jeopardizing the safety of the home.

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A DARING AND BOLD BURGLAR.

Entered Presbyterian Manse Sunday Night and Went Through Duds of Silent Sleeper on Guard.

FATAL EMBANKMENT CAVE-IN

Pedro Torres, an Employee of Johnson Brickyard, Buried Beneath an Avalanche of Sand.

Reuben Cotulla, a member of the clerical force at the Hamilton Hotel, on Sunday night passed through an ordeal which now causes him to stop and reflect and in fancy paint a picture of what happened. While a bold burglar perambulated about the room where he lay on his downy couch, Reuben maintained a perfect equilibrium and a valorous spirit, for he was in the arms of Morpheus.

Sunday night while Reuben was asleep at the Presbyterian manse, staying there during the absence of Rev. and Mrs. Wharton from the city, a daring and bold burglar entered the apartments occupied by the young man. He never whimpered as the "knight of the dark lantern" approached his bedside after entering from a window and stealthily searched his clothes. In Reuben's trousers were the key to the front door of the house, some dlnero and other things. The intruder wanted only the key, and this is all he took. Then he went about the house, after tying a cord from one door to another to attract attention in case the young man awakened, but his sweet slumber remained undisturbed. The intruder took some silverware in spoons, knives and forks and left, taking the key to the front door with him.

At about 5:30 Reuben awakened and, like Columbus, made a "discovery." He found that he was robbed while he slumbered. Monday night he stayed awake in the manse after extinguishing the lights, for he thought that perhaps the intruder, having the key to the front door, would return. With a little 42-centimeter automatic in his lap Reuben dozed with one eye open awaiting the return of the burglar; he was disappointed, for he failed to appear.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

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LITTLE LOCALS

—Some of the Mexican officers in Nuevo Laredo are accredited with making the statement that they intended to retaliate for the "branding" process to which some of their peers were being submitted on this side of the river and would punch holes in the ears of the Americans to serve for identification purposes. Dont be so cruel, Alfonso.

—A stunning lot of dress hats to be displayed at The Bon Ton during March will create more than the usual interest in Milady's Spring Chapeau. 3-7-5t.

—The Manhattan Cafe, Messrs. Chrisafis and Zervas, proprietors, will open about Monday at 606 Flores avenue, next door to the Candy Kitchen. Kansas City and Fort Worth meats will be served exclusively, and a specialty will be made of short orders, particularly French dishes. 3-1-6t.

—It is reported that when the Carranza soldiery in Nuevo Laredo was paid off a day or two since the paymaster was politely requested to "hereafter pay the men in Mexican gold or silver, or Carranza currency in one peso bills or less in denomination." When the soldiers get a wheelbarrow full of five and ten peso bills they can't buy provisions and other things, for nobody wants them.

—We buy, sell, rent and exchange furniture of all kinds. Beds and mattresses for the celebration. Renovation of mattresses a specialty. Phone 417, H. Dubin Mercantile Co., 1110 Turbide street. 2-12-1m.

—The regular semi-monthly meeting of the city council will be held this evening. Besides the transaction of routine business, the city fathers will canvass and announce the vote cast in the special election held on Saturday to vote on the issuance of the school bonds.

—Now is the time to clip your horses. We do it at a reasonable charge. Laredo Transfer Co. Phone 864. 1-27-tf.

—Tomorrow is the beginning of Lent—Ash Wednesday, Sunday, April 23, is Easter Sunday, "the day of the exhibition of milady's little bonnet, a cute little lid, with a lot of trimmings on it." This on the spur of the moment, Alfonso.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-tf.

—Soon the shrill blasts of the locomotives pulling out at the head of long onion trains will resound on the night air, for Laredo's Bermuda onion crop will soon be on the move to Eastern and Northern markets. Then the glittering shekels will begin to pour into the coffers of the onion farmers.

—Handkerchiefs, laces, domestics, lawns and house furnishings at "Saff's". 2-29-tf.

—Alas, "Mexico is getting our goat." During the past week the shipments of goats from this country into the southern republic has aggregated about 12,000 head, valued at \$24,448. May they eat "cabrito" and prosper.

—It is worth while to wait and get the hat that pleases you and is admired by others. This is the kind you will find at The Bon Ton's showing of Easter Millinery. 3-7-5t.

—Eastern Hair Dressing Shop, 1210 Lincoln street. Phone 889 for appointment. 9-23-tf.

—The latest adv. submitted to the Times for insertion read: "Wanted, a cow for carpenter work." Lord knows what kind of work was going to be done on old Sukey, but maybe it is only to build a roof over her.

—For self starter work see Yeary at the Citizens Garage. 6-25-tf.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-tf (Adv.)

—The importations through this port from Mexico yesterday afternoon and today consisted of twenty carloads of calamine and one carload of kilt. Most of the material was shipped out this morning.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-tf. (Adv.)

—An old offender in the act of sneaking mezeal across the boundary line was caught in the act again yesterday and this morning haled before United States Commissioner. He has become accustomed to that and did not appear in the least worried. He was told he could get out if he provided bail in the sum of \$100, but he couldn't raise that much security.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 1-9-tf

—There will be a celebration of Holy Communion at Christ Church at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, it being Ash Wednesday. All are urged to come.

SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt
Editor . . . Phone 70

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Tuesday.

Mrs. Younkin will entertain the members of the Auction Bridge Club at half after three o'clock in the afternoon.

Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will hold its regular weekly meeting with Mrs. Harry Earnest at half after three o'clock in the afternoon.

Mrs. Fritz Werner will entertain with a party from four to six in the evening in honor of her son, Arthur Werner.

The Sunbeam Band of the Baptist Church will hold its regular weekly meeting at the church, with Mrs. Abshear as leader.

Christ Church Junior Auxiliary will meet at the rectory at four o'clock in the afternoon.

The Order of the Eastern Star will hold a meeting in the Masonic Hall at eight o'clock in the evening.

Married Ladies Dancing Club will hold its regular monthly dance in the evening.

Mrs. Fritz Werner will entertain with a supper party in the evening.

Wednesday.

Missionary Society of the Methodist church will hold its regular weekly meeting at the church at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Ladies' Night at the Ninth Infantry Club in the evening.

Sing, and the world's harmonious, Grumble, and things go wrong, And all the time You're out of rhyme With the busy bustling throng. —Selected.

General Mention.

Mrs. J. K. Thompson left yesterday on the noon train for Uvalde.

Miss Margaret MacGregor arrived in Galveston yesterday and she will stop in San Antonio before coming to Laredo. While in San Antonio she will visit her sisters, Mrs. M. R. Jamison and Miss Katherine MacGregor, and her aunt, Mrs. C. E. Glazebrook.

Mrs. J. R. Moore and Mrs. J. F. Boniger returned home on Sunday from a short visit to San Antonio.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Guinn expect to leave the latter part of the week for Marlin Springs, where they will be for a three or four weeks' stay.

Mrs. Tutweiler will remain in Dallas for several weeks longer, the guest of her daughter, Miss Sarah Tutweiler.

Mr. Chester Burbank returned yesterday from San Antonio. Mrs. Robt. McComb and Mrs. L. J. Christen, who accompanied him, will remain for a longer stay.

Greetings have been received from Mr. Edgar Garlick and Dr. H. Stow Garlick from New Orleans, where they are enjoying Mardi Gras week.

Mrs. Elizabeth Lobdell has returned home from a delightful trip to relatives in Louisiana.

Club Notes.

Mrs. A. C. Richter entertained the members of the Sewing Club yesterday afternoon most delightfully. Several beautiful vocal and violin selections added to the afternoon's enjoyment. A dainty tea was served to those present. The personnel included: Club members—Mesdames Wormser, Joe Moser, Chas. Moser, Louis Joseph, Alphonse Wormser, Fred Werner, Schmidt, Dear, Richter, H. Borchers, Offer and Goodman; Guests—Mesdames Austin, Huberich, Biscamp, Winch, Mackin, and Misses Miriam Werner, Lucille Heusinger of San Antonio and Ethel and Myrtle Mackin.

The Woman's Club held a called meeting at the Hotel Hamilton parlors at four o'clock in the afternoon. There was a special program arranged for "Baby Week," which proved especially interesting. Election of officers for the year was also held, resulting as follows: President, Mrs. D. F. Anderson; first vice-president, Mrs. W. N. Young; second vice-president, Mrs. R. L. Miller; third vice-president, Mrs. Sam Mackin; recording secretary, Miss Annie Pace; corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. Alex MacDonald; treasurer, Mrs. J. F. Boniger.

Heights Civic League.

The Heights Civic League held a meeting and election of officers yesterday afternoon.

terday afternoon, with Mrs. M. P. Cullinan. The usual routine business was transacted. Plans were made to request a mail box, which is very much needed. There was also election of officers for the year. Mrs. E. Rex Tarver was re-elected president and entered upon her seventh year in that office. The other officers chosen were: Mrs. W. H. Mims, vice-president; Mrs. Austin, secretary; Mrs. Heaner, assistant secretary; Mrs. Jeff Merriman, treasurer. Ways and means committee: Mrs. M. P. Cullinan, chairman; Mesdames E. E. Sharkey, J. R. Moore and O. H. Guinn. Park committee: Mrs. W. H. Mims, chairman; Mesdames McCullough and Oberfeldt. Membership committee: Mesdames J. B. DaCamara, Con Mims and W. B. Heaner.

Entertainments.

Mrs. A. C. Hamilton was hostess to the members of the Tuesday Bridge Club and additional guests who substituted for absent members yesterday afternoon. The handsome rooms were most attractively decorated was carried out in all the appointments. After the series of games was played, Mrs. Viales scored high and won the prize, a half-dozen hand-painted plates with spring-flowered design; Mrs. H. I. Greer was awarded the guest prize, six hand-painted salt dips; Mrs. Boehme scored low and received a lovely crocheted doiley. Dainty varicolored satin sachets were the favors. Refreshments consisted of a salad and ice course. The personnel included: Club members—Mesdames S. M. Barlow, E. H. Bueh, O. J. Cook, E. J. Foster, H. Stow Garlick, H. W. Johnston, A. Martin, J. Viales; Guests—Mesdames Robt. Brown, Edgar Sirmyer, H. I. Greer and Boehme.

The Monday Weekly Bridge Club members and guests were most charmingly entertained by Mrs. H. G. DaCamara and Mrs. J. B. Morton, complimenting Mrs. J. S. Penn with a birthday surprise party yesterday afternoon. The rooms were decorated with red geraniums and ferns. After a series of games of bridge were played, Mrs. J. W. Brewster scored high and won the club prize, a beautiful crocheted basket and six small baskets; Miss Anzer Penn was awarded the guest prize, a lovely hand-painted plate; Mrs. R. K. Mims received the consolation prize, a dainty Dresden silk crochet workbag. Delicious enchiladas and coffee were served. Mrs. Penn was showered with many beautiful gifts to commemorate her birthday by her friends. Those present were: Club members—Mesdames W. T. Hill, C. Jefferies, J. W. Brewster, J. S. Penn; Guests—Mesdames J. M. Leyendecker, L. Daiches, R. K. Mims, W. Brennan, Wager, E. I. Anderson, H. D. Shelby, Ed. Brewster, C. B. Kennedy, James Hale; Misses Amar Penn, Sara Mowry and Maria Mowry and the hostesses.

Afternoon Party.

Mrs. Fritz Werner is entertaining from four to six o'clock with an afternoon party in honor of her son, Arthur Werner. The guests are: Evelyn Ryan, Minerva G'Sell, Merrell Lake, Emilie Halsell, Dorothy Derby, Virginia Penn, Phyllis Bunn, Josephine Brewster, Anita Parker, Eunice Culvert, Ada Johnson, Mary Jendrusch, Margaret Sturtevant, Beatrice Barlow, Dorothy Borchers, Irene Leyendecker, Laura Taylor, Lois Stoner, Elsie Strain, Carolyn Brennan, Ruby Landrum and Irene Parker; Clyde Brennan, Jack King, Bernardino DaCamara, George Brown, Dave Slaughter, Shirley and Lawrence DaCamara, Jack Halsell, Clarence Jefferies, Joe Condren, John Traggessor, John Leyendecker, Leo Netzer, Robin Tannenbaum, Karl Payne, Steve Simon, Steve Reuthiner, Philip Moore, Jack Nasworthy, Murt Cullinan, Tallman Johnson, Fred Bueh, Ted G'Sell, Victor Sauvignot and Edward Wharton.

Birthday Party.

Mrs. Dickson entertained yesterday afternoon from four to six o'clock with a beautiful children's party, celebrating the sixth birthday of her little daughter, Helen Dickson. There were various games played during the afternoon, among the most amusing being pinning the tail on the donkey. In this Carolyn Brennan was the lucky one and was given a box of perfume. Adelaide Woodul won the booby prize, a toy goat. Much excitement and interest was manifested in the cutting of the birthday cake. Little Mike Brennan cut the ring and Helen Dickson took both the dime and the button. In breaking the piñata Carolyn Brennan was again the lucky one and received a box of candy as a prize. Delicious cake and cream was served during the afternoon. Those present were: Adelaide Woodul, Pearl Colman, Ruby Colman, Carolyn Brennan, Helen Dickson, Robert Vollmer, William Mossin, Michael Brennan.

Leap Year Dance.

The young ladies gave a most enjoyable leap year dance last evening at the Latin-American club, the leap

PERSONALS

A. L. Gray of St. Louis is a guest at the Hamilton.

S. A. James of Encinal is a visitor in the city.

County Treasurer Mercurio Martinez of Zapata county, arrived in the city this morning.

Richard Knaggs arrived here last night from a two weeks trip to Tampico, Mexico, and left this afternoon for his home in Cotulla.

ROSS:—Mr. and Mrs. P. Olave, J. S. Roman, Mexico; J. B. Elliott, Los Angeles, Cal.; Henry Blackwood, Seattle; Paul Cook, Washington; Sam Feim, Houston; J. F. Goodin, A. A. Hendrick, San Antonio; Ora Sicks, Woodward; F. A. Shote, Brook, Ind.; R. L. Henderson, Artesia Wells; Capt. J. J. Sanders, Alice; Tom J. Lee, San Antonio; P. J. Loughlin, Pierre, S. D.; A. L. Gray, St. Louis; Manuel Echeverria, Leon Signoriti, Torreon; M. Leon, Guadalajara; Daniel Ruiz, El Paso.

ROSS:—Francisco Cañedo, San Antonio; W. M. Baines, St. Louis, Mo.; Alfredo Garcia, Monterey; R. L. Stiff, St. Louis, Mo.; W. P. Puley, Arlington; Pedro L. Gomez, Jose Garza Villareal, E. W. Bacon, J. C. Winters, San Antonio; M. Calzado, E. Cueva and son, Monterey.

BENDER:—Leo G. Altmayer, Pittsburgh, Pa.; S. J. Browning, Houston; E. Salomon, Osinga; B. N. Wittchell, Dallas; F. Savage, Corpus Christi; O. L. Gonzalez, San Antonio; Mrs. M. Thompson, Ft. Worth; J. E. O'Neil, San Antonio; G. V. Kerr, Ft. Worth; C. S. Blair, San Antonio; C. V. Miller, Dallas; C. A. Baumkeger, San Antonio; M. Holland, New Orleans, La.; G. J. Hurt, M. H. Mussett, M. Chur, San Antonio; Raul A. Benavides, Monterey; L. E. Hutchinson, San Antonio; W. M. Davis and wife, Houston; J. A. Robb, El Paso; G. C. Barton, Brownsville; Mrs. L. A. Morrow, Isitas; A. Stern, San Antonio; W. N. Rich, Houston; Mrs. Whitaker, Reiser; A. W. Foster, C. V. Broach, San Antonio; T. V. Mara, St. Louis, Mo.; L. F. Wilson, Chicago, Ill.; R. W. Donagan, Wilmington, Del.; J. W. Hanson, Memphis, Tenn.; V. Berhard, Tampico, Mex.; Cesar Maya and wife, San Antonio; E. A. Feustmeyer, Cincinnati, O.; E. M. Lewis, San Antonio.

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year idea being carried out in every detail. Delicious punch was served throughout the evening from beautifully decorated punch tables. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Fasnacht, Mr. and Mrs. Tito Vidaurri, Mr. and Mrs. Julio Rodriguez, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Dickinson, Mr. and Mrs. Barrera; Misses Elvira, Ofelia and Ernestina Sanchez, Lucile Heusinger, Elizabeth Rogers, Esther Hirsch, Vera Lang, Estelle and Lupe Rosenbaum, Julia and Lamar Leyendecker, Mand Bigden, Anita Sharkey, Eugenia Lafon, Fidela de la Garza, Beatriz Flores, Maria de la Garza, Teodora Sanders, Lalla Rookh Hill, Luisa Dickinson, Annie Pierce, Lupe Salinas, Berta Echart, Endelia Rodriguez, Anita Mullally, Francisca Salinas, Clotilde Saldaña, Vivia Molina; Messrs. Randal and Grover Nye, Claud Bigden, Metias Elizondo, Margil Santos, Virgilio Guerra, Blas Maria Garza, Jose Godier, Nicolas Sanchez, Dario Sanchez, Carlos Peña, Alden Muller, Pope Lowry, Carlos Madero, Manuel Lozano, Lieut. Bouton, Lieut. Williams, Peter Leyendecker, Jose Ramos, Prince Butron, Ed. Mullally, Sam Rotge, Primitivo Flores, Sam Alexander, Reyes Ortiz, Americo Ferrara, Alberto Gutierrez, Ignacio Saldaña, Jesus Saldaña, Leopoldo Bruni, B. M. Alexander, Horace Weimer, Lang, Schweppe, Juvencio Guevara.

Display at Bon Ton.

Watch for the date of our Smart Millinery Display that will far surpass any display of previous seasons, not only in brilliancy of color but in variety and attractiveness of styles—a display of milady's headgear not soon to be forgotten. We want you to make every effort to come and see for yourself the many charming patterns we will display. BON TON MILLINERY. 3-7-5t.

ATTACK ON VERDUN IS SHIFTING TO WEST AND GERMANS CLAIM ADVANCES

Entire Division Attacked and Took Hill Number 260 But Met with Heavy Losses—French Lines Further to the West Have Held, Despite Violent Bombardment by the German Big Guns.

VICTORY SURE FOR ADMINISTRATION

HOUSE ADOPTED RULE OF FOUR HOURS DEBATE ON THE MCLEMORE WARNING RESOLUTION.

By Associated Press. Washington, March 7.—The house, by a vote of 256 to 160, adopted the rule allowing four hours' debate on the McLemore warning resolution. The members assembled promptly for an all-day fight of the administration forces to kill the McLemore resolution. There was unanimous consent at the opening of the session to a ninety minute debate on the resolution allowing four hours debate on the McLemore measure. Acting Chairman Pou of the rules committee was on the floor. There was an outburst of applause when Mr. Pou said: "All theimps of hell never devised a more infamous lie than that declaration that the president wants war."

Representative Harrison, Democrat, of Mississippi, said: "If the rule is defeated, you would not only send joy to the hearts of the people in foreign capitals, but you would stab your own president in the back."

Republican Leader Mann in a ten minute speech pleaded with the house to defeat the rule.

Administration is Confident.

Washington, March 7.—Administration leaders said there was no doubt that the vote on the resolution showed that they could table the McLemore measure by a large majority.

PENNSYLVANIA'S NEW "FIRST LADY" RECEIVES.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 7.—Mrs. Martin Grove Brumbaugh, the bride of Governor Brumbaugh, is tendering a public reception at the executive mansion today. No invitations have been issued to her first social affair, and it is believed this precedent will be followed in future afternoon events. Mrs. Brumbaugh and the Governor were married last January. She was Miss Flora Belle Parks, his ward, and for many years a member of his family. She is highly talented, and like her husband, is democratic and popular.

MARDI GRAS CELEBRATIONS.

New Orleans, March 7.—The annual festival of Mardi Gras is at its height today. The King and Queen of the Carnival are crowned, and the streets are a riot of costumes and decorations. The grand ball tonight will wind up the festivities.

Bloxi, Miss.—The Mardi Gras Carnival, in which the civic and fraternal organizations are taking part, exceeds all celebrations of the festive season.

Chicago.—The 20th annual Mardi Gras of the Art Students' League will be held tonight at the Art Institute. The costumes cover all periods, and the pageant and costume hall will be a spectacular affair.

New York.—Society folk are taking part in the carnival at the Ritz Carlton tonight, in observance of the Mardi Gras. The proceeds will go to the children of the mountaineers of Tennessee. The Baroness von Rotenthal will dance. Among the patronesses is Mrs. John Hays Hammond.

Rank Foolishness.

You occasionally see it stated that colds do not result from cold weather. That is rank foolishness. Were it true colds would be as prevalent in midsummer as in midwinter. The microbe that causes colds flourishes in damp, cold weather. To get rid of a cold take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is effective and is highly recommended by people who have used it for many years as occasion required, and know its real value. Obtainable everywhere.

By Associated Press.

The attack on Verdun has shifted to the west and the Germans are now engaged in pounding their way toward the fortress from beyond the Meuse. A general advance for the Germans is recounted in the official statements. Paris admits that the Germans, after a violent bombardment, forced their way through Regneville and along the railroad near Regneville, a mile and a half south-east. An entire division attacked and captured Hill No. 265 southeast of Regneville, although the Germans sustained heavy losses. Berlin says that Fresnes in the Woerwe district southeast of Verdun was captured this morning by the Germans. The French lines farther west have held.

Gave Up the Prize.

Copenhagen, Denmark, March 7.—A Malmoe, Sweden, despatch says that a German torpedo boat captured the Swedish brig Inez off Landskrona, Sweden, and placed a prize crew aboard. A Swedish torpedo boat came up and drew attention to the fact that the capture of the Inez was made a half mile within Swedish waters. The German commander thereupon made apologies and permitted the Inez to proceed.

Curtailling the Brewing.

London, March 7.—The Brewers' Society has decided to curtail the manufacture of beer, in compliance with the intimation of the government that the consumption of malt, sugar and hops by the trade should be reduced by March 8.

To the Western Front.

Paris, March 7.—Delayed—A Saloniki Havas despatch gives a report that almost all the Austrian and German troops concentrated on the Balkan front have left for the Western front. Some Turkish regiments, the message says, have been sent from the Balkans to the Caucasus.

British Naval Increase.

London, March 7.—A. J. Balfour, first lord of the admiralty, said in the house of commons this afternoon that the tonnage of the British navy had been increased by one million since the outbreak of the war, while the strength of the air division of the navy had grown tenfold.

German Warship Come Out.

Rome, March 5.—Twenty German warships have left Kiel, according to information received here today.

The foregoing was held up by the British censor for two days. Another despatch said that twenty-five German warships were seen Monday in the North Sea.

Gave House's Information.

Washington, March 7.—President Wilson laid before the cabinet today the information brought from Europe by Col. E. M. House regarding the official opinion abroad on Germany's submarine warfare and England's blockade of Germany. The appendices to the last German note containing instructions from the British admiralty to captains of merchant vessels governing their attitude toward submarines were not laid before congress because the translation was incomplete.

MINNIE AND PAUL MAKE UP.

Minneapolis, March 7.—"Minnie" will entertain "Paul" tonight at a leap year party. It will be the first get-together of officials of the Twin Cities. The St. Paul officials will be the guests of the Minneapolis officials, and in order to find room for the crowd, the courthouse has been requisitioned.

Speedoline.

This scientific preparation will produce more power, more speed and greater efficiency, will reduce the gasoline consumption more than 25 per cent and prevent carbon formation in the cylinders, and in automobiles will give 30 per cent more mileage per gallon of gasoline used. For further information see MARCOS M. TRIVISO, 801 Zaragoza Street, Agent for Webb County. 3-4-15t.

DISINFECTING BATH KILLED EIGHTEEN

BATH VAPOR IN EL PASO JAIL EXPLODED AND VICTIMS WERE ALMOST INSTANTLY KILLED.

By Associated Press. El Paso, Texas, March 7.—Although the death list remains at 18 in the jail explosion last night, several more are expected to die. The explosion took place in the disinfecting room where there were fifty prisoners. A lighted match ignited vapors arising from the bath, it being a mixture of gasoline, kerosene and vinegar. An inquest and a city investigation are ordered for today.

BRYAN TALKS ANTI-MILITARISM TO OHIOANS.

Columbus, O., March 7.—Wm. Jennings Bryan will address the Anti-Militarist League of Ohio tonight. He will be introduced by Dr. Washington Gladden, president of the League.

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY DINES.

Washington, March 7.—The National Geographical Society of Washington will hold its annual banquet tonight, and it promises to be one of the most brilliant non-official gatherings held in the capital, bringing together the foremost educators, scientists and statesmen. The banquet this year is to commemorate the accomplishments of trans-oceanic wireless telephony and the ocean-to-ocean telephone line. Theodore N. Vail, head of the American Bell, and John J. Cart, chief of the engineering staff of the company, are the guests of honor, together with members of the cabinet, the diplomatic corps and Congress.

WORD EMBROIDERY.

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., March 7.—Founded by a school of blue fish that had followed her 2,500 miles from New York, the U. S. S. "Tennessee" put into Port-au-prince, Haiti, and unloaded a company of United States Marine Corps recruits last week, according to a letter received by Sergeant Frank Stubbe of the local recruiting station of the Marine Corps.

"The waves rolled high," one of the recruits wrote Stubbe, "and, for the first time in my life I realized the bigness of the ocean, the smallness of me and the minor part I could play in the great scheme of things. Is there a life beyond death, I asked myself? If not, what is the purpose of my being? Why was I ever born? Pondering over this stupendous question I staggered to the rail, and, after awhile, was forced to give the whole thing up—together with some trifles I had eaten for breakfast. As I let go of my feelings, a big blue fish jumped up out of the water and gazed hungrily into my beautiful blue eyes. He was a handsome fellow and I knew that I'd remember him if I ever saw him again. And sure enough, five days later, as we were entering the harbor of Port-au-Prince, and while I was again meditating on the philosophy of life, that same blue fish jumped up out of the water as if to devour my inmost thoughts. It seems that a school of them followed us all the way down to Haiti because of the recruits aboard who had never before been to sea."

"Some piscatorial embroidery," was Stubbe's comment on the letter.

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A FRUSTRATED TRICK.

The immigration authorities have been much worried of late by the tricky practices of a certain class of Mexican laborers who have sought to illegally enter the United States by use of the "identification cards" issued to others. The cards would pass the holders through the quarantine lines, and then would be gathered up and mailed to Mexico, where they were given to others who gained entrance in an illicit manner and "proved" their right to remain by the identification card issued to another.

As a result, the federal health officers devised a simple but effective means of putting an end to this fraud. They now stamp all "inspected and passed" immigrants with a rubber stamp. The mark can easily be washed off, but it cannot be transferred to another. And if it is washed off before passing the quarantine lines, the individual has to be returned for another inspection.

The existence of many contagious diseases in Mexico has caused alarm in this country. The quarantine was rigidly enforced by the Texas and federal officials, and the inspection was so exhaustive that it was a matter of wonder that some infected persons succeeded in passing the lines.

It was finally discovered that Mexicans were being illicitly crossed into Texas at fords or ferries, and a number of these were captured several miles inland and returned to Mexico. They had no identification cards issued at Laredo and were thus proven to have entered without the formality of inspection.

But the wily Mexican of the lower class, deficient though he may be in learning, is abnormally intelligent when it comes to discovering ways and means of circumventing the law. He found that the possession of an identification card was sufficient to pull the wool over the eyes of the officials—at least, so it appeared to him—so he thrifly mailed his identification card to a relative or friend who was uncertain of being able to "pass the doctors," and the latter came in by "underground railway" and held the identification card which would "prove" that he had been legally passed.

Naturally a howl of protest went up from a certain class of Mexicans when the rubber stamp device was invented. They publicly protested to the Mexican consul over the "infamous indignity" of being "branded like beasts," and called upon the American public to put an end to this "iniquitous proceeding."

Of course, it will readily be seen that there is nothing degrading in stamping a pass upon a man's (or woman's) arm, whence it can be readily removed by a little soap and water, any more than there is anything degrading in the compulsory bath and fumigation which are insisted upon in the case of the patently filthy Mexicans who seek admission to this country.

Anything which appears to reduce the immigrants to the mere level of human beings is naturally repugnant to the American haters in Laredo and other border towns, who seem to think that the Mexicans are conferring a favor upon this country by condescending to come here and work for a mere pittance of ten times what they can earn in their own country.

The degradation, if any there be, is in the fact that the average low class Mexican who seeks admission is willing to swear to any sort of a falsehood to gain entrance; that he is willing to aid others in evading the laws by false documents; and that in many cases he is swarming with vermin that make a cleansing bath absolutely imperative for the sake of the health of all in this country.

There is no "branding" in the new procedure. The mark merely is put on the arm of the immigrant as a means of proving that he has satisfied the requirements of the immigration laws, and the main cause for

complaint on the part of the Mexican laborer is that he cannot pass the mark on to a friend or a relative, as he could the little identification card.

But anything that will serve as a text from which to preach a sermon of hatred for the gringos is welcome to certain Mexicans in Laredo.

FOR CITIZEN TRAINING.

The headquarters of the Southern Department, United States Army, announces that a citizen's training camp will be held at Fort Sam Houston from June 12 to July 8, the coming summer, and that all male citizens of the United States 18 years old or over who are physically qualified will be eligible to join the camp.

The department officer in charge of this work announces that, although congress has made no appropriation to cover this work, the government is able to provide nearly everything that is required, including officers and men for instruction and maneuver purposes, equipment for the camp, such as messing facilities, tents, cots, mosquito bars, mattresses, bedding and the arms and equipment.

All that will have to be paid for by the members of the camp will be the ration and extras, amounting to about \$15 for the four weeks, and the necessary uniforms, costing about \$12.50, which will become the personal property of the members.

The railroads have been approached with a view to securing the best rates possible, and information on this point will be furnished those who make application to join the camp.

Those wishing to join the camp should make application to the Chief of Staff, Southern Department, Fort Sam Houston, Texas. A membership blank will be sent which, after being filled out, signed and returned, will cause them to be enrolled as members of the coming training camp.

The training will be as comprehensive as is possible during the short period of four weeks, and while it will not equip a man to be an effective soldier, it will give him a much better idea of what is needed in the equipment of a soldier.

The course will consist of drill, ceremonies, lectures by officers of the regular army, practical demonstrations, preparation for target practice, the principles of reconnaissance, the principles of marching, the principles of camping, the principles of combat, and a march from Fort Sam Houston to Leon Spring, where the target practice will be held under the direction of expert officers and soldiers of the regular army.

Each member who completes the full course of instruction will be given a certificate to that effect. The circular adds: "It is not too much to say that those holding those certificates would be in line for appointment as commissioned officers in a volunteer army in case the country should have occasion to call out half a million men or more."

There are many men in Laredo who would be the better physically for such a camp, and as many of them are in the habit of spending their summer vacation in the open, they would do well to add to the pleasures of an ordinary camp the instruction which they would receive in preparing themselves for national defense.

There are few in this section who do not know how to handle and fire a rifle or pistol. Yet of what value is that knowledge by itself, without the further knowledge of how the rifle fire is used in actual combat.

Many men who have camped out every year since boyhood have not the slightest knowledge of how to construct a sanitary camp or how to take care of themselves in the open. This would be taught in a very plain and easily comprehended manner.

When an army is formed for offensive or defensive purposes the man is no longer the unit, but the battalion and even the regiment. Yet there are few civilians who have the slightest knowledge of concerted, or "team" work, upon which effective military operations so absolutely depend.

Thirty dollars for four weeks of camp life is cheaper than most men have found it to be in private life, and when one considers the instruction given absolutely free, it seems like a real bargain.

Bryan's dove of peace has turned into a stormy petrel, and wherever the tempest howls the loudest the dauntless bird is right there. He is now in Washington where the fight against the president is in process of an effective smothering. Just why no one knows, but it is easy to guess.

Once more the bank robbers in Oklahoma got away with the funds while the people stayed in bed and listened to the nitro explosions. Had it happened in Texas, someone would have heard another sort of an explosion. But it takes nerve to face a bank robber with a Colt's.

VOICE OF TEXAS.

Deserves Life Sentence.

The meanest man contest which has been in progress for 6000 years we now declare to be officially closed. John Conklin of Hackensack, N. Y., gets the first prize, his stunt being to wrest from his wife the money she had to pay the funeral expenses of two dead babies, and with which he proceeded to get spifficated.—Houston Post.

An Irish Problem.

Congress doesn't seem to know exactly how to deal with the Wilson brand of president. It wants to avoid an appearance of fracture and to have its own way at the same time. Rather difficult. Like trying to eat a very large Irish potato out of the jacket without something to drink on the side.—Corpus Christi Caller.

Oh You Sherlock!

Rome advises that Bulgaria has taken steps to conclude peace with the entente. Rotterdam advises that the Kaiser has left the Verdun field. Cause and effect? Watch the incoming trains at Sofia!—San Antonio Express.

You Mean Thing!

One reason given for opposing woman suffrage is that it will cause women to give too much time to politics and neglect home and children. This might sound better but for the fact that women opposing the move are writing numerous articles for the papers and devoting much time to the lecture platform. One naturally wonders who takes care of their homes and children. Or haven't they any?—Seguin Enterprise.

Corpus Air Tight.

Corpus Christi was airtight, so to speak, last Sunday. Folks couldn't buy even a stick of chewing gum, to say nothing of a cigar. Folks went down there—to the sea-shore—to spend the day. They didn't take a supply of chewing gum and cigars. As a result, they have resolved to stay at home the next time. A resort has no business cutting the niche too narrow. Business is business.—Beeville Bee.

Corpus Christi has been a very popular resort, but it will not be much of a resort long, if it prohibits visitors from purchasing such comforts as they may be reasonably entitled to. The "lid," under proper limitations, may be applied to a town, but it is not deporting to see the coffin lid put on—that is what happens when ever extreme sumptuary regulations are imposed.—Texas Republican.

Of Course.

The Denison Herald says that some time ago it made an offer to all of the churches in Denison to give them one entire page on Monday to devote to the topics of their pastors' sermons; only one or two complied. The Brownwood Bulletin says that they offered to run a synopsis also, and that to their surprise the pastors do not accept the offer. The daily Journal has made the offer to the churches of Sweetwater to run their Sunday program in Saturday afternoon's paper. Only one or two have accepted this.—Sweetwater Journal.

A perfectly natural outcome. Preachers are not newspaper men any more than newspaper men are preachers. If the ministers of Sweetwater or Denison or Brownwood offered their pulpits on stated days to the editors of those fair cities, how many editors would avail themselves of the opportunity to preach? Every man to his trade.—Galveston News.

A Gruesome Game.

It remained for Oklahoma to furnish the very worst example on record of that gruesome game, beating the locomotive to the grade crossing. One of these days legislators will reckon the cost of guard gates as rather less than the value of human life.—San Antonio Express.

BACKACHE IS DISCOURAGING.

But Not So Bad If You Know How to Reach the Cause.

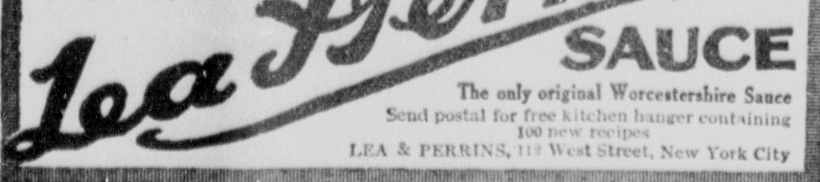
Nothing more discouraging than a constant backache. Lame when you awaken, pain pierce you when you bend or lift. It's hard to work or to rest. Backache often indicates bad kidneys. Laredo people recommend Doan's Kidney Pills. Read this case: J. C. Stein, barber, 1620 Lincoln St. Laredo, says: "I came down with a severe backache and it hurt me to stoop over and then straighten up. My kidneys also acted too frequently and I was obliged to get up five or six times at night. Two boxes of Doan's Kidney Pills entirely removed the trouble and I have not been bothered since."

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- MARCH 6.
- 1754—Death of Pelham, English premier, who opposed the German alliances, but lacked influence to break them up.
- 1831—Born—General Philip H. Sheridan, famous soldier. Died in 1888.
- 1836—American force wiped out by Mexicans in the battle of the Alamo.
- 1845—Mexican minister at Washington protested against admission of Texas as a State and demanded his passports.
- 1854—Exportation of corn from Baltic and Black Sea ports prohibited.
- 1863—Gold in New York fell from 172 to 145.
- 1882—Servia proclaimed a kingdom, with Milan I as ruler.
- 1889—Milan of Servia abdicated in favor of his son, Alexander, who, with Queen Draga, was later murdered.
- 1912—Italian army used dirigible balloons for first time in actual warfare.
- 1913—Janina, Turkish city, with 32,000 troops, surrendered to the Greeks after three months' siege.
- 1915—Foreign diplomatic corps quit Mexico City.
- 1915—Gen. Barreto, former war minister, proclaims a republic in Northern Portugal.
- 1915—THE WAR:
Five killed in powder explosion at DuPont mill, alleged attack on industry. French and British fleet continues to pound forts at the Dardanelles. Austrians, re-enforced by Germans, making gains in Galicia. Russians press their offensive against Germans in Poland.

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A. & M. SLOGAN.

The A. & M. College has sent out suggestive programs for Baby Week and has taken for its slogan: "Better Fathers, Better Mothers, Better Babies, Better Texas," and gives as the golden text or thought for each day: "Suffer little children to come unto Me and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

V. A. Collins

ON THE RELATION OF CAPITAL AND LABOR.



V. A. Collins, Chairman of the Labor Committee of the Texas Economic League and a recognized friend of organized labor, discussing the relations between employer and employe, says:

"Most of the friction between Capital and Labor is the result of misunderstanding between them. This lack of proper understanding often results from the fact that large investors do not, or cannot, follow up their investments, but are forced to operate through hired men, known as 'managers.' The capitalist or investor, possibly knows no laborer in the employment of the enterprise, and consequently knows nothing of his environment, his needs, his hopes, or aspirations—they are as widely separated as Dives and Lazarus. Their situation is not such as to create any sympathy one for another—the capitalist knows nothing of the trials and difficulties of the laborer, and the laborer cannot see that his employer may also have great difficulties to encounter in 'keeping the mill going.' Let the capitalist put himself in the place of the laborer and the laborer in the place of the capitalist and study each other's problems."

Be it said to the credit of many employers, they would like to make more favorable working conditions and pay better wages, but they have competitors in the same line of business who will make no change for the betterment of their labor and a man in business can scarcely make concessions which his competitors will not make, but when a change is demanded by labor, it can not be convinced that the employer would be glad to make the change if his competitors would do likewise.

If the laborer hears of his employer at all, it is most probably through the press where he sees an account of his being abroad in company with Kings or princes, displaying his wealth that he may be admitted into royal society, or perhaps he sees where his employer has just given a million to the church or charities, while the wife and children of him whose calloused hands helped to produce that million are in the most direful circumstances. It needs no argument to prove that this is not calculated to create a genuine sympathy on the part of employe for his employer. I am persuaded that it is more charitable for employers to distribute the earnings of their industries above a reasonable return on their money among the men who co-operate with the machine in producing his wealth than to contribute large sums to charity and sound the bugle that the gift might be noted in the press.

Employers visit your enterprises and your laborers and see the discomforts and even the misery they sometimes endure and your charity may be kindly towards them. Employers, make the success of your employer's business your chief object and then demand a just share of the success you have made for him. See the Christ ideal of love thy neighbor as thyself between capital and labor and the necessity for the militia to quell riots will never be known again and the race will grow wiser and better and the "peace that passeth understanding" will prevail throughout the land."

LITTLE LOCALS

—No. 600 license in automobiles has been issued by the city secretary, this being the maximum number at this time and having been issued to Mr. P. P. Leyendecker, who has an automobile.

—There was a band concert on Jarvis Plaza last evening which was attended by a large crowd. Some good selections were rendered by the band, and the night being a most delightful one in every respect, everything contributed to the pleasure of the evening.

—The Manhattan Cafe, Messrs. Chrisafis and Zervas, proprietors, will open about Monday at 606 Flores avenue, next door to the Candy Kitchen, Kansas City and Fort Worth meats will be served exclusively, and a specialty will be made of short orders, particularly French dishes.

—Yesterday was one ideal day and the usual large crowds that turn out on the Sabbath when good weather prevails were conspicuous by their presence on the streets and in the motion picture shows afternoon and evening. There were good pictures at the shows and this repaid them for their visits.

—We buy, sell, rent and exchange furniture of all kinds. Beds and mattresses for the celebration. Renovation of mattresses a specialty. Phone 417, H. Dubin Mercantile Co., 1110 Irtubide street.

—The federal building is badly in need of a "spring bath." This is the season of the year when people are taking panaceas and system builders, and the symptoms produced by appearances of the federal building would indicate that it is needing something to clarify its complexion.

—Now is the time to clip your horses. We do it at a reasonable charge. Laredo Transfer Co. Phone 864.

—Thrills, sensations and every other word synonymous of excitable conditions will characterize the voters of Corpus Christi this week, for a great local option election is to be held there on Friday. But the wise ones predict that the town will remain in the moist column by about 300 majority.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office.

—Everything looks propitious for a busy spring and summer in Laredo. In addition to all the building activity and other improvements being made, the onion crop will begin to move within the next few weeks and trainload shipments will be rolling out of Laredo daily.

—The following marriage license was issued by the county clerk on Saturday: Ramon Chavarria and Andrea Mares.

—Handkerchiefs, laces, domestics, lawns and house furnishings at 50c. 2-29tf.

—The applying of the stamp to the arm of the Mexican laborers to forestall their work in helping others to evade the regulations of the public health service may cause a little furor—but who is making the furor, and what do they amount to? These kickers should have the stamp, especially the "U. S." part, applied to some part of their anatomy. Then they'd be naturalized to a slight degree.

—Eastern Hair Dressing Shop, 1210 Lincoln street. Phone 889 for appointment.

—For self starter work see Yeary at the Citizens Garage.

—A number of undesirable Mexicans who had been deported and ordered to stay out of the country, wade the river and try to make their way into the interior of the state. Some of them have health certificates issued to others and then mailed to them to enable to help them get through the lines. Who blames the health authorities for "branding" this class of people to thwart the impostors.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office.

—With the sale of the school bonds and the beginning of building operations this summer on the three school buildings, there will be additional building activities in Laredo that will give employment to a large number of artisans, for once work is started it will be rushed to completion while schools are in vacation.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans.

4-24tf. (Adv.)

—A total of about seventy recruits to be distributed among both the Ninth Infantry regiment and the squadron of the Fourteenth Cavalry stationed here arrived this morning from Columbus (Ohio) Barracks and are now being assigned to duty with the soldiery stationed at Fort McIntosh and the Ninth Infantry Camp.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials.

ARE "BRANDING" LABORERS TO THWART THE IMPOSTORS

NEW AND HARMLESS PROCESS ACCOMPLISHING RESULTS

Rubber Stamp Imprints Words on Forearm Mexican Laborers and They Can Pass Through the Lines.

In order to thwart Mexican impostors in the work of fraudulently passing through the quarantine lines on health certificates given to Mexican laborers from Mexico who had passed the required examination and then mailed back their certificates to friends in Mexico who used them to get through the lines, the United States Public Health Service here has successfully applied a new method that has a telling effect.

Heretofore many Mexican laborers of the peon element have been subjected to a strict examination by the health authorities after reaching Laredo and were not allowed to proceed into the interior of Texas or to other states until they were considered to be in a wholesome condition. Then they were given health certificates, and these were practically passports to any place in the state where they may wish to go. But many of the laborers took an unfair advantage of the health authorities here by assisting impostors in getting through the lines without examination.

After the laborers who had been given the health certificates reached their destination in San Antonio or other Texas cities or towns they would put their health certificates in an envelope and mail them back to some comrade in Mexico, and he would come to the Texas-Mexican border, get across in some manner and then pass through the quarantine lines after producing the certificate, which had now become a fraudulent document.

The method adopted to frustrate the impostors in their work and also prevent the laborers who were legally admitted from becoming parties to the infraction of the laws, is a rather novel one, but has caused a howl to emanate from sources that actually create little heed to be paid to the yelping, for they are not Americans who are doing the yelping. The laborers are now being "branded," it is true, but they can not transfer the brand to an impostor. With a small rubber stamp bearing the words "United States Public Health," those words are imprinted on the forearm of each laborer admitted to this country after passing the required health examination and undergoing a fumigation or disinfectant procedure.

This is done to safeguard the health of the country against unscrupulous Mexicans. The American health authorities are encountering many obstacles from indiscreet and indifferent Mexicans, and whatever howl might be raised will meet with little attention from the American officers, for they are the ones who are held responsible at this time to guard the border against the introduction of infectious diseases that might develop into a disastrous epidemic.

As to the "branding" process being resorted to, no deleterious or bad effects follow, and unless the ones "branded" are fearful of water and soap, the words imprinted by the stamp can be readily removed. It is imprinted there to last only a sufficient length of time to permit the parties bearing the stamp to pass through the quarantine lines. These people are furnished no certificates which they can mail back to amigos in Mexico and thereby assist them to fraudulently pass through the lines.

Dangers of Draft.

Drafts feel best when we are hot and perspiring, just when they are most dangerous and the result is Neuralgia, Stiff Neck, Sore Muscles or sometimes an attack of Rheumatism. In such cases apply Sloan's Liniment. It stimulates circulation to the sore and painful part. The blood flows freely and in a short time the stiffness and pain leaves. Those suffering from Neuralgia or Neuralgic Headache will find one or two applications of Sloan's Liniment will give grateful relief. The agonizing pain gives way to a tingling sensation of comfort and warmth and quiet rest and sleep is possible. Good for Neuritis too. Price 25c at your druggist.

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1-29tf.

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THE ORIGINAL
MALTED MILK
Cheap substitutes cost YOU same price.

APPROVED THE BOND ISSUE BY ALMOST UNANIMOUS VOTE

BY A VOTE OF 121 TO 5 BOND IS-
SUE CARRIED SATURDAY.

Bonds Will Be Submitted to Attorney
General for Approval and Then
Sold and Work Started.

By a mute expression made at the polls on Saturday regarding their choice as to whether Laredo should retrograde or progress and should have new and modern schools or not, the qualified property tax-paying voters of the city made an almost unanimous decision in favor of the bond issue, divided among the four wards in the following manner:

Ward	For	Agst.
No. 1.....	87	1
No. 2.....	30	0
No. 3.....	23	1
No. 4.....	31	3
Totals.....	121	5

Thus it will be seen that a total of 126 votes were cast and only five voters who would be delighted to see Laredo remain in the rut of stagnancy cast votes against the bond issue proposition. But the progressives turned out to the polls and overwhelmingly defeated any pessimistic ones that might exercise the right of trying to prevent the bond issue carrying. That Laredo badly needs a modern and more capacious high school every one possessing the faculty of seeing and calculating readily discerns, while in the matter of the proposed two new ward school buildings they will serve to relieve a congestion that exists in the various schools of Laredo and better facilitate the work of the schools. All who were brought to a realization of these facts and were in favor of schools commensurate with the needs of the city for the future voted for the bond issue.

It is the intention to apply the \$80,000 voted Saturday most judiciously and carefully, and it is said to be the intention to expend \$40,000 in the construction and equipment of a modern and capacious high school building on the site of the present antiquated structure that the city of Laredo will always evidence a pride in and not feel abashed when the attention of strangers is directed to the city's school facilities.

Thus half of the bond issue will be utilized for a high school. The remaining half, \$40,000, is to be used for the erection of two ward school buildings. These structures are likewise to be of most modern architecture and suitable for the purposes for which they will be built, will be equipped with all the latest conveniences and will be adequate to the needs of Laredo for years to come. In fact all three buildings are to be of a kind that will be commensurate to present and future needs of the schools here. Tomorrow night the city council at its regular meeting will canvass the vote cast at the bond election on Saturday. Shortly thereafter the bond issue will be submitted to the attorney general of Texas for approval, and when he affirms it then the bonds will be printed and offered for sale. It is hoped to have the bonds printed and sold and the money available by May, so that when the schools close that month work of construction can be started on the three schools and rush them to completion if possible during vacation.

DISTRICT COURT AT PEARSALL

Session is Being Presided Over By
District Judge Chambliss of Bee-
ville; Mullally in Beeville.

This morning the March term of district court for Frio county was convened in Pearsall by District Judge Chambliss of the Beeville district, who was sitting as special judge in the place of Judge Mullally, who had exchanged places with him and was sitting in an election contest case which was called in the district court at Beeville this morning.

Judge Mullally left Laredo yesterday en route to Beeville, while simultaneously Judge Chambliss left Beeville en route to Pearsall. The trial of the election case at Beeville will consume about two weeks, and by that time the term of court at Pearsall will have adjourned. From Beeville Judge Mullally will return to Laredo before holding court in another part of his judicial district. District Attorney Valls and Stenographer Seb Wilcox left for Pearsall yesterday and were present when court was convened this morning.

Just Received.
A lot more Mazda-shaped Lamps of 25 and 40 watts.
Five for \$1.00.
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Royal Theatre Building.

2-18-tf.

HERBINE cures constipation and re-establishes regular bowel movements. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists.

PERSONALS

Judge A. Winslow returned Saturday from Austin.

Judge J. F. Mullally left yesterday for Beeville.

James M. Morlan of Monterey is a guest at the Hamilton.

O. Pratt of Encinal is a guest at the Hamilton.

W. H. Conway returned yesterday from a business trip to Chicago and other points in the middle west.

District Attorney Jno. A. Valls left yesterday for Pearsall, where a term of the district court convened this morning.

HAMILTON:—O. Pratt, Encinal; Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Peterson, Dick Hatcher, Reiser; Blaney Stevens, Mexico City; Leo G. Altmayer, Pittsburg; M. R. Kuster, Mexico City; W. E. Nelson, San Antonio; Geo. C. Calvert, El Paso; Jas. M. Morlan, Monterey; Jas. H. Garnett, Concepcion del Oro; Mrs. Frank Reiser, Reiser; O. C. Stevens, C. L. Parsons, San Antonio; M. L. Waller, Fort Worth; J. P. Osborn, Alice.

ROSS:—F. Leber, M. V. Viramontes, P. F. Velasquez, Monterey; M. E. Davila, Saltillo; V. Mendoza and son, San Antonio; R. L. Shoaf, St. Louis, Mo.; Francisco R. Cahedo, Guadalupe; E. E. Adams, Franklin, Pa.; Ed. J. Silla, Crestonia; Wm. Somers, San Antonio; N. de la de Muñoz, Monterey; A. Violan, San Antonio, Mexico City; J. Garcia, F. Mayora, R. Ramos Flores, Saltillo; E. A. Reilly, San Antonio; A. J. Shampin, Indio, Cal.; A. Dieteel, D. A. Condon, A. Reilly, San Antonio; W. D. Walker, St. Louis, Mo.

BENDER:—N. Sokabe, St. Louis, Mo.; H. B. Bagley, A. W. Koeberg, W. A. Ebert, E. M. Lewis, Maria Luisa de Arce, Jose Villa Arce, Miguel ones Jr., H. Amellett, San Antonio; Jones C. Honneger and wife, Sabinal; Miss T. L. Stone, Boston, Mass.; Frank E. Wagner, James O'Keefe, Chicago, Ill.; R. Johnson, Ft. Worth; Walter Steves, San Antonio; R. R. Witt, Corpus Christi; Leo G. Ottmay, Pittsburg, Pa.; S. J. Browning, Houston; E. Salomon, Osunga; B. H. Withell, Dallas; F. Savago, Corpus Christi; O. L. Gonzalez, San Antonio; Mrs. M. Thompson, Fort Worth; J. E. O'Neil, G. Vickers, C. S. Blain, San Antonio; V. C. J. Niller, Dallas; C. O. Baunkeger, San Antonio; M. Holland, New Orleans; G. H. Hurt, M. H. Musset, M. Chu, San Antonio.

GENUINE SIGNS OF PROSPERITY

One Riding About Laredo and Visiting
Different Parts of City Realizes
Extent Building Boom.

To the man who mechanically, like an automaton, confines his daily route from his home to his place of business and never digresses from that road, the prosperity that pervades the city of Laredo from the standpoint of the building boom does not manifest itself.

But to the individual who, after business hours, enjoys the pleasure of a spin about the city in an automobile or other conveyance, the real extent of the building boom that pervades Laredo is apparent for on every side in the various quarters of the city he either sees new and handsome dwellings in course of construction or noticeable improvements being made. The various strangers who visit Laredo and are taken for a ride over the city quickly notice these improvements and new buildings and leave singing the praises of Laredo.

Will Leave Laredo.

In another place in this issue will be found the announcement that Mr. C. A. Swedberg has retired from the business of blacksmith and machine shop, which he has been conducting in this city for the past twenty years and the business will be continued in the future by his sons, Messrs. Oscar and Hugo Swedberg, both of whom have been raised in the business and are entirely competent to conduct same. The elder Mr. Swedberg expects to leave Laredo within the next few weeks to be gone for some time, but he has not yet decided just where he will locate, but wherever he goes he carries with him the best wishes of a great many friends, who will regret to know that he is leaving.

LIGHT WORK.

A shabby old cottage on the outskirts of a village was suddenly transformed by paint and paper into an attractive little house, and a summer resident of the place, who knew the occupants to be a poor widow and her neer-do-well son, was curious about the change. He inquired about it at the gate.

"Yes, sir," replied the old lady, smilingly, "my son's in work now. Makes good money, 'e 'does, too. All 'e 'as to do is to go twice to the circus every day and put 'is ead in the lion's mouth. The rest of the time 'e 'as to 'issel'."—Tit-Bits.

SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt
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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Monday.

The Monday Weekly Club will meet with Mrs. H. G. Dacama at three-thirty in the afternoon.

Mrs. A. C. Hamilton will entertain the members of the Tuesday Bridge Club at half after three o'clock in the afternoon.

The Woman's Club will meet at the Hotel Hamilton parlors at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Leap Year Dance at the Latin-American Club in the evening.

Tuesday.

Mrs. Younkin will entertain the members of the Auction Bridge Club at half after three o'clock in the afternoon.

Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will hold its regular weekly meeting with Mrs. Harry Earnest at half after three o'clock in the afternoon.

The Sunbeam Band of the Baptist Church will hold its regular weekly meeting at the church, with Mrs. Abshear as leader.

Christ Church Junior Auxiliary will meet at the rectory at four o'clock in the afternoon.

The Order of the Eastern Star will hold a meeting in the Masonic Hall at eight o'clock in the evening.

Married Ladies Dancing Club will hold its regular monthly dance in the evening.

Baby Week.

No nobler epitaph could be Than just the simple words: "He loved the little children, The flowers and the birds."

General Mention.

Mrs. O. E. Staben, accompanied by Mrs. Ed. Staben, returned the latter part of the week from Joyce. After a short visit here, Mrs. Ed. Staben will go to San Antonio on a two weeks' visit.

Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Hall, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Fish, returned from San Antonio today.

Capt. and Mrs. Rucker of Fort McIntosh have as their guest Mrs. Upjohn of New York.

Rev. L. H. Wharton, pastor of the Presbyterian church, is holding a series of meetings at Mercedes.

Mr. Ed. Moser, accompanied by Lawrence Nelson, Aaron Moser, Misses Clara Nelson, chaperon, Estelle Moser, Alice Denike and Marguerite Nelson, returned from San Antonio yesterday.

Gen. and Mrs. K. K. Evans and son, Lieut. Hornsby Evans expect to leave in the morning in Gen. Evans' automobile for San Antonio to spend a few days.

Club Notes.

The church sale given by the Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church on Saturday afternoon was a decided success in every way. The library was decorated with red geraniums and trailing vines. The tea table was most attractive, with a centerpiece of violets placed in a cut-glass bowl, with a delicate sprays of green vines surrounding it. Mesdames Windrow, Butler and Q. Q. Hopkins poured tea, assisted by Misses Eta Thaison, Jennie Devine and Flora Bunn. Miss Joe Gray had charge of the candy table, assisted by Misses

Adami, Julia Hopkins, Anna Sutton and Alice Gray. The articles which were not sold will be placed with Mrs. Loring on Lincoln street for sale.

Picnic.

The girls and boys of the seventh grade had a most enjoyable outing on Saturday, leaving the Heights about 8:30 in the morning chaperoned by Misses Elizabeth Merriman, Louise Muller and Callie Smith. The picnic was held at the Chacon, which is an ideal spot for a day's pleasure. Needless to say, the young folks enjoyed the day to the fullest extent, which was further heightened by baskets of delicious lunches provided by the girls. Among those present were: Margaret Sturtevant, Margaret Hazelrigg, Cornelia Cline, Lois Stoner, Margaret Clafflin, Virginia Penn, Hope Merriweather, Conchita Chacon, Elsie Strain, Violet Oberfeldt, Marjory Fish, Doris Bigden, Hazel Irwin, Carl Bergmann, Hillon Cline, Dave Slaughter, Joe Strain, V. Chacon, Martin Chacon, Wade Jarrett, John Maher and James Richter.

Entertainments.

The Busy Bees were most delightfully entertained by little Miss Anna May Mussett on Saturday afternoon. Hot chocolate and dainty cakes were served, followed by a most enjoyable box party at the Strand Theater. The young folks were chaperoned by Miss Elizabeth Mussett. The personnel included: Lois and Dorothy Derby, Dorothy Morton, Emilie Halsell, Minerva G'Sell, Mildred Leyendecker, Mary Cook, Evelyn Ryan, Hattie May Bryan and the hostess.

The Entre Nous Club held its regular weekly meeting on Saturday afternoon with Miss Vera Sharkey as hostess. Violets and ferns were used in the decorations. After a pleasant afternoon, a two-course luncheon was served from a daily appointed table carrying a low bowl of violets as a centerpiece. Covers were laid for Misses Vera Lang, Maude Mussett, Ruth Simpson, Frances Woodin, Hazel Patrick and the hostess.

Mrs. Agnes Huberich entertained the members of the Nullo Club and additional guests most pleasantly on Saturday afternoon. The rooms were decorated with American Beauty roses. After the series of games of bridge was played, the club prize was won by Mrs. A. C. Hamilton and the guest prize was awarded to Mrs. Morrison, both prizes being towels with crocheted ends. A two-course luncheon was served at the conclusion of the games. Those present were: Club members—Mesdames G. C. Woodman, A. C. Hamilton, J. S. Penn, Miss Amar Penn; Guests—Mrs. J. T. Halsell, Hal Perry Greer, Albert Martin, R. K. Mims, Mally, Morrison, J. B. Morton, W. N. Young. This will be the last meeting of the Nullo Club until after Lent.

The semi-monthly hop at Fort McIntosh on Saturday evening was a most enjoyable affair. The Ninth Infantry band furnished the music. Light refreshments were served. Among those present were: Col. and Mrs. Robt. Brown, Capt. and Mrs. Kyle Rucker, Capt. and Mrs. Loeb, Capt. and Mrs. Sirmyer, Lieut. and Mrs. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Alphonse Wormser; Mesdames Upjohn of New York, Hal Irbey Green, Zane; Misses Louise Muller, Julia Leyendecker, Etta Thaison, Edna Brown, Myrtle Mackin, Ethel Mackin, Alice Gray, Clarisse Ryan, Dorothy Smith, Evelyn Bailey, Courtney Crutchfield, Anita Mullally; Major Switzer, Major Heavy, Capt. Bell, Heidt and Baker, Lieuts. Williams, Zundel, Woodruff, Dwan, Cronin, Gilbreath; Messrs. Robt. Ennis, Gerald Sielski, Percy Winch, Alden Muller, Peter Leyendecker, Asher Smith, Ed. Mullally and Jim Gray.

Fishing Party.

A jolly crowd of girls, chaperoned by Mesdames Jos. Netzer and J. C. Netzer, picnicked at Agua Muerta on Saturday. Fishing was one of the enjoyments of the day, although but four of the flimsy tribe were caught. Those included in the party were: Lillian and Rena Bertrand, Kate and Bessie Scott, Margaret Lutz, Nellie Virginia Lee and Ruth Netzer.

U. S. GUARDS INSANE MAN ACROSS ATLANTIC.

Boston, March 6.—U. S. Immigration Inspector Benjamin F. Maricle sailed from Providence, R. I., the other day, on the Fabre liner Roma in charge of an insane man who is being deported by the government to the Cape Verde Islands. Manoe Barros, the deported immigrant, arrived from Cape Verde Islands about two years ago. The Inspector is making a trip of 11,000 miles for the government, and few government employees begrudge him his journey.

TIMES WANT ADS.

\$\$\$ Money Makers \$\$\$

GERMAN SHELLS FALLING IN VERDUN NOW BUT FRENCH CLAIM TO BE HOLDING FIRM

Twenty-seven Trainloads of German Wounded Reported to have Left Verdun Section—Germans Now Turning Attention to French Flanks as the Center is Reported as Holding Out Against Attacks.

REPUBLICANS HAVE NO SINISTER PLANS

HOUSE MEMBERS TO SECURE

VOTE ON McLEMORE
RESOLUTION TO BE
UNPARTISAN.

By Associated Press.
Washington, March 6.—President Wilson today appealed directly to Representatives Bennett and Lenroot, Republican members of the house rules committee, to consider the armed ship issue without partisan basis and to assist in getting a vote on the McLemore resolution. After the conference both said they had no intentions of bringing party considerations therein.

To Kill Resolution.

Washington, March 6.—The house rules committee will bring into the house tomorrow a special rule for four hours' debate on the McLemore warning resolution. This action places the measure in a parliamentary position where the administration leaders believe they can kill it. Representative Bailey of Pennsylvania invited twenty congressmen to lunch with him and Bryan. Most of them are advocates of the warning resolution and opposed to preparedness. Among them were Slayden and Calloway of Texas.

NEW SECRETARY OF WAR.

By Associated Press.
Washington, March 6.—Newton D. Baker, former mayor of Cleveland, has been selected by President Wilson as secretary of war. Baker has accepted the nomination, which will be sent to the senate soon. Baker is a leader of the Ohio bar and fulfills Mr. Wilson's desire to have a Middle West lawyer in the place. The selection is understood to have been discussed by Mr. Wilson and Col. House this morning. Mr. Baker is known to be in close sympathy with Mr. Wilson's policies. He has been in Cleveland politics since 1902.

CHARITY BOARD AIDED 22,000 FAMILIES.

Chicago, March 6.—The postponed annual meeting of the United Charities of Chicago will be held this afternoon. Last year was the largest in the history of the organization, and the statistics to be presented today show that the United Charities cared for more families than any other organization. More than 22,000 families will be befriended, compared to about 23,000 assisted by two societies in New York.

MARINE HIGH SCHOOL.

Atlanta, Ga., March 6.—The students of one of the high schools in this city signified willingness to take up military training voluntarily, at a preparedness discussion recently, and informed Governor E. N. Harris, of Georgia, who spoke at the meeting, that it was their desire to train as reserves for the United States Marine Corps. If the school authorities sanction the movement, the Atlanta Marine High School will be the first in the United States. The United States Marine Corps has no reserves, and in time of war, could have the assistance of only one company of marine militia from Massachusetts. The students are delighted at the prospect of training for "soldiers and sailors too."

Child Much Improved.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Bruni of Bruni, Texas, came to the city last Friday to bring one of their little children for medical attention and their many friends will be glad to know that the child was so near entirely well that they left in their automobile for home just before noon today, taking the baby with them.

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By Associated Press.

Verdun itself is under German fire today, but the shells are doing little damage, according to correspondents. The Germans are at Fort Lavannes, four miles from Verdun. It is said that 27 trainloads of German wounded have been sent from that region. The Germans are turning their attention to the flanks of the French positions about Verdun where the center is holding firm. The capture of 1,000 French Saturday and Sunday is announced by the Berlin war office. Important movements of German troops are reported from the Hague, where it is said 40,000 German cavalrymen are en route to the Ypres front. Russian torpedo boats have bombarded Trebizond, the Turkish Black Sea port, according to Petrograd. The Turkish batteries replied, but ineffectively.

Zeppelin Killed Twelve.

London, March 6.—Twelve persons were killed and 33 injured in a Zeppelin raid last night, according to official information today.

British Steamer Sunk.

London, March 6.—The British steamer Masuna, 3,100 tons, was sunk but all the crew were saved.

Moewe's Brilliant Career.

Amsterdam, March 6.—Berlin newspapers declare the adventures of the commerce raider Moewe, which successfully came back to Germany yesterday after sinking fifteen ships, taking 199 prisoners and capturing a million marks in gold bars, is one of the greatest events of the war and urge the government to permit other ships to go out on similar missions.

House Praised Diplomats.

Washington, March 6.—Col. E. M. House, who returned yesterday from Europe, where he went as a special envoy of President Wilson, conferred with the president today, telling the results of his mission. He absolutely refused to discuss any diplomatic questions. It is understood that he expressed praise to the administration for the way the diplomats are carrying on the work abroad and to have had much to say on the German feeling in support of their submarine policy.

Col. House is understood to have told the president that there were no more prospects for European peace than a year ago.

LAFOR SECRETARY ON TRIAL.

Louisville, Ky., March 6.—Peter Campbell, secretary of the State Federation of Labor, will be tried here today on an indictment of voluntary manslaughter in connection with the death of Fred S. Ewald. Campbell has entered a plea of not guilty. The case has attracted wide notice because of the prominence of the accused man in labor circles.

PREDICT RE-ELECTION OF MAYOR GILL.

Seattle, Wash., March 6.—On the eve of the municipal election in Seattle, the re-election of Mayor Hiram C. Gill is practically conceded. His term expires March 20, and if re-elected will serve for two years. The tremendous vote which he received in the primaries last month was without precedent in this city. He had a majority over three other candidates. Mayor Gill has been prominent in local politics for eighteen years. This is his fifth mayoralty race. He made no fight for a place on the ballot, making no speeches or sending out no literature.

Will Make Their Home Here.

Mr. and Mrs. Hal Brenann of Dallas arrived in Laredo yesterday morning and are expecting to make their future home here, where Mr. Brenann is well and favorably known and formerly resided. Mrs. Brenann is a bride and mention of the wedding was made in the Times recently. Mr. Brenann came here to accept a position with a large concern in Laredo.

STREET CAR STRIKE CAUSES ALL TO WALK

THOUSANDS OF PEDESTRIANS

MADE WASHINGTON LOOK
LIKE AN INAUGURATION DAY.

By Associated Press.
Washington, March 6.—Thousands of government clerks, congressmen and others felt the effects of the street car strike in Washington today. With 100,000 persons moving to their day's work and only a few overloaded cars running, Pennsylvania avenue looked like inauguration day. The street car men want a raise in wages. So far there have been no disorders.

MILLION DOLLAR LOSS.

By Associated Press.
Peoria, Ill., March 6.—Fire destroyed a large railroad grain elevator here today with a loss of 750,000 bushels of wheat and \$1,000,000.

W. P. LANE DEAD.

By Associated Press.
Fort Worth, Texas, March 6.—Former state comptroller W. P. Lane died here at 8 o'clock this morning. Death came after a long illness. He was a candidate for congress at large, an office for which he was defeated two years ago by Jeff. McLemore. Mr. Lane's political career was spectacular.

MINNEAPOLIS WIRE TAPPING CASE.

Minneapolis, March 6.—Charles (Red) Carlson, charged with having swindled John Koehn of Dorchester, Wis., out of \$3,100 in a fake horse race and wire tapping game will be brought to trial today. He has been at liberty on \$25,000 bail. The county attorney and sheriff have been making a hunt for the complaining witness. It appears that Koehn left his home about the first of the year, without telling his relatives where he was going. Koehn's story was that, on May 21, 1914, he was swindled out of his roll in Minneapolis, and he accused Carlson of doing the job.

RAILROAD MUST PAY INCOME TAX ON STOCK PROFITS.

Cincinnati, March 6.—By decision of Judge Hollister in the U. S. District Court, in the government's suit against the Big Four railroad to recover taxes alleged to be due on income of the company for the year 1909, the railroad must pay the income tax on \$814,291 in profits which the Big Four received through the sale of shares of the stock of the Chesapeake & Ohio R. R., and which was not returned by the company for taxation under the Federal income tax law. Also, the court holds, the half millions alleged to have been embezzled from the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis Railway Co. by former Treasurer Warriner is not such a loss as is deductible under the provisions of the Federal income tax law. The railroad contended that while it was true that the profit was received in 1909, it could not be considered as income for that year, in view of the fact that the value of the stock had been increasing the loss which it sustained through the shortage in the office of its treasurer.

For Your Child's Cough.

If your child has a cold, nose runs or coughs much get a small bottle of Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. It's a pleasant Pine-Tar-Honey syrup, just what children like and just the medicine to soothe the cough and check the cold. After taking, children stop fretting, sleep good and are soon entirely well. Insist on Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey. 25c. at your druggist. *

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out for yourself.

Moser's Store.
J. J. Czar.

From Tuesday's Daily.

A BENEFICENT RESULT.

One result of the present war in Europe, it is announced, will be the breaking up of the great landed estates in England and Scotland and the use of the land to grow food.

There are many estates in England which are mainly devoted to parks and shooting preserves, to say nothing of the vast extent of moors in Scotland which might be improved in to farming lands.

Most of the farm lands in England are the property of some landholder who has not even seen all of his possessions and who transacts all his business with his tenants through an agent. Some of the great landholders do not even know the extent of their possessions, being solely concerned in the size of the "rent roll."

As a result, a great share of the property in England is badly managed, the one idea of the agents being to cut down operating expenses, repairs and improvements so as to leave the greatest profit possible.

Travelers through England are familiar with the antiquated sort of structure in which most of the peasantry live, and many have written of the "ivy-covered cottages," without realizing that in many cases the ivy covers a ruinous condition that would be only too apparent without the mantle of trailing vines.

Many of the great estates in Ireland have been cut up into small farms and sold to the former tenants on easy terms, thus improving not only the condition of the Irish peasantry but also their temper toward the government and reducing the number of emigrants.

Several of the states in our Union have passed laws which prevent the seizing of large estates by great landowners, the understanding being that the land is the people's and was never intended under our constitution to become the foundation of the swelled fortune of a few and the poverty of the many.

Were the land of England to be used for farming purposes exclusively there would not the occasion for the poverty that now exists in so great a degree. But the devotion of much of the land to purposes of "sport" has prevented the small farmer from using it for its proper purpose, and the result is that England is dependent upon other countries for her wheat, her beef, mutton and pork, her vegetables and other food supplies.

In many parts of England the only people who may hunt—even a rabbit—are the wealthy classes. And it is almost impossible for the poor people to find a stream where they may fish, so completely "preserved" are all the bountiful resources of nature.

The enormous rate of taxation which will inevitably follow the present war will have its effect upon the landowners, and they will be anxious to get rid of the property which they are now holding. The result will be that the small landholder will have a chance to buy the few acres for which he now pays an enormous rent, and the country will again become what it was in the days of the Anglo-Saxons before the Norman invaders conquered Harold—a country of small farms where each family was self-supporting.

Much of the land held for shooting purposes in Scotland is bare and waste. Moor and fen and bog prevent the culture of much of it, but modern systems of drainage and fertilization would enable the small farmer to gain his livelihood from a few acres where now the blackcock and the pheasant are the only tenants.

The Scottish crofters are a hardy and hard-working class, and they deserve to have their own few acres that now cost them so greatly in rent.

A system of taxation which will force the great landowners to sell their holdings and invest their money in something equally profitable and more productive will be a beneficent result of the war. Sentiment is all that keeps some of the ruined castles from the hands of the house wreckers, and sentiment is unworthy when it causes human beings to starve because an ancient pile occupies the ground which would support many families in comfort with little labor.

THE MOEWES SUCCESS.

The return of the German commerce raider Moewe to Wilhelmshafen after her successful cruise was hailed by the German newspapers as the greatest achievement of the war, and from a naval standpoint it is certainly true that no other German vessel has accomplished so much.

During her cruise the Moewe sank or captured fifteen vessels of enemy nations—all merchant vessels, of course—brought home 199 prisoners, besides those she sent to the American coast in the captured Appam, and one million marks' value in captured gold bars.

The German press is almost unanimous in their demand that the government permit the sailing of other

commerce raiders of the same class, and it would appear to be Germany's only hope at sea, for her naval vessels, with the exception of the squadron of the immortal von Spee family, have made no record save that of flight.

The Moewe seems to have been purely and simply a privateer, with some officers of the German naval reserve aboard. She is claimed to be a tramp steamer, but her record shows that she must have both speed and good sailors to have committed the acts with which she is credited.

In previous wars there have been other noted privateers, notably in the war with Great Britain in 1812, and the French privateers inflicted great damage upon English vessels previous to that time.

The Civil War brought out perhaps the most noted privateers of all modern times, and the record of the American privateersmen was one of constant danger as well as glory and profit.

During our war with Spain in 1898 the matter of fitting out privateers was frowned upon and it was not until the present war that the old piratical idea seems to have been revived in all its romantic colors.

So far as real damage to the enemy nations is concerned, the cruise of the Moewe cannot be said to be a success. A French vessel laden with supplies was captured, while several British merchant vessels were sent to the bottom. But there was nothing like the glorious days of the privateers when one of the free sailors attacked a man of war, or even fought in her own defense against the armed vessels.

If mere damage to private interests is to be congratulated, the Moewe is deserving of much praise. But she has not met a warship, even a torpedo boat in fight, and her sole achievement was the seizure of merchant vessels and the capture of some loot.

The filibusters of the Spain Main had a more glorious record than that, for they engaged the great galleons of the foremost sea power of their day, the Spaniards, and almost invariably came off winners.

The blockade runners of the Civil War were planned for flight and escape from their pursuers, yet they were prepared to fight when cornered, while the Moewe was only equipped to stop and sink an unarmed merchant vessel, as her armament was only of six-inch guns, and she carried no defensive armor.

While boasting of the exploits of the sea viper, why do not the German officials send some of their well-equipped, well-armed and well-armed naval vessels out to meet the foe? With the exception of the sea fight in the South Atlantic, the German vessels have never left the safe protection of Helgoland or Wilhelmshafen, and they still lie under the guns of the German forts, their one lesson in the raid on Whitehaven having taught them that they cannot expect to cope with hostile warships of any nation.

We are told that we have much to fear from the German navy in case of hostilities with that country. Yet a navy which dare not leave the safe precincts of the Kiel canal may not after all be much of a menace to a nation whose naval exploits have been worthy of her since the days of John Paul Jones.

The McEmore resolution seems to have been one of those unfortunate children than "died a-bornin'." And very few seem willing to acknowledge relationship save its intrepid father, Peace be to its ashes.

Col. House says our diplomats abroad are worthy of praise. He is not one of those who talk about shirt-sleeve diplomacy, and perhaps he is of the opinion that the present requires one to take his coat off.

Another Zeppelin raid caused the death of twelve persons in England, with the injuring of thirty-three more. And we presume that the pastors in Germany gave out the hymn: "Nun danket alle Gott."

A Cleveland lawyer is to be the new secretary of war. Well, if we are to have a lawyer at the head of the military establishment, as well as one from Cleveland as one from New York, And Root made a pretty good secretary, at that.

How to Prevent Croup. When the child is subject to attacks of croup, see to it that he eats a light evening meal, as an overladen stomach may bring on an attack, also watch for the first symptoms, hoarseness and give Chamberlain's Cough Remedy as soon as the child becomes hoarse. Obtainable everywhere.

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FAKE FORTUNE SCHEME HAS MANY VICTIMS.

Louisville, Ky., March 7.—Many prominent people residing in Kentucky and Tennessee, who have allied themselves with the "United Association of Drake Heirs" in the belief that they were heirs to a big fortune established by Sir. Francis Drake, the famous navigator and adventurer of the sixteenth century, have been awakened to the fact that they are the victims of a clever swindle. Thousands of hard-earned dollars have left their pockets, never to return. The promoter of the scheme is among the missing, and the postal authorities are searching for him in many places.

The American ambassador at London has reported that no such estate exists as the "\$500,000,000 Drake Estate," to which many American purport to have claims. It is his statement that the present holder of the Drake estate is Sir Francis George Augustus Fuller-Elliott-Drake, now in his 79th year. He owns about 7700 acres. Admiral Sir Francis Drake was the founder of the family, and the father of the present Baronet distinguished himself under Sir John Moore in the Peninsular War over a century ago. The present Sir Francis married a daughter of Sir R. A. Douglas, and they had one daughter and no sons.

The foreign representatives of the United States government say that no legal attempts have been made to prove the validity of claims of the Drake Heirs Associations, and that no large estates remain unsettled in England. The mythical property for the protection of which American have paid so much money is supposed to be located in Devonshire, England. It is further stated in advices from London that there is a law in Great Britain which would prohibit residents of other lands from sharing in antiquated legacies, even were these claims proven beyond a doubt.

It was claimed by the promoters of the "Drake Heirs Association" that the present holder of the estate is an imposter, and that the rightful heir to the barony itself is a resident of Texas, who was supposed to be preparing to establish his claim and see that the other "descendants" get their share of the big melon supposed to be awaiting the knife.

The promoter of the scheme is now a fugitive from justice, and it is thought probable that he has fled the country. Nothing has been heard from him since last September. The "Kentucky Association" was organized about five years ago, and when the last meeting was held last fall, Mrs. Charles P. Weaver, wife of the former Mayor of Louisville, was president, having succeeded her brother in that capacity. Dr. John F. South, of Bowling Green, a prominent physician, was trustee of the organization. There were over eighty members in this state. It is said that the Tennessee membership was twice as large. A large initiation fee and regular monthly dues were assessed the "members," and this money was supposed to be used in pressing their claims to the Drake "estate." C. P. Jean, a real estate man of this city, who was treasurer of the local organization, admits that he paid the promoter over \$2,500, while the Tennessee organization is supposed to have paid him a much larger amount. These sums represent practically all the funds collected. The promoter lived here for two years, and was well known. Later he lived at Frankfort, and when the Louisville "members" grew suspicious, he is said to have threatened to sue the organization.

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MARKETING OF ONION CROP WILL BEGIN IN SHORT TIME

TRAINLOAD SHIPMENTS WILL START DURING THIS MONTH

By First of April Outgoing Trains Carrying Many Carloads of Onions Will Be Running Regularly.

The marketing of Laredo's Bermuda onion crop will begin within a short time now—some time during the latter part of this month. By April heavy shipments out of here in trainload lots will be in full blast. From present indications, according to reports received, there should be a good demand for Texas Bermuda onions this season and the Laredo product should command fancy prices by reaching market early.

As to the number of carloads which will be shipped out of here the coming season there is a variance of opinion among the prominent onion growers who are posted on affairs. The aggregate shipments of onions out of the Laredo section for the 1915 season totaled 2,447 carloads, shipped in numerous special trains. According to calculations made by those in a position to know, the proceeds from the 1915 shipments aggregated about \$800,000.

This year about the same acreage as in 1914-15, aggregating about 4,300 acres, was planted in onions, but the yield will be decimated to the minimum as a result of the ravages of pestiferous insects and lice, particularly thrip, which has devastated many fields and raised havoc with the crop. And not only were onions subjected to the deleterious work of these ravaging insects, but likewise did cabbage and other vegetation suffer. This injurious work of pests has contributed to cutting down the onion yield and some predict that while the acreage is practically the same as last year, that instead of 2,447 carloads shipped last year there will be from 1,500 to 1,800 shipped this season, if that much.

The onion industry is the principal farming pursuit in the Laredo country, and when the onion men produce heavy crops and get good market prices therefor the whole community prospers.

Postoffice, Courthouse and Custom House (building), Laredo, Texas, (City) Office of Custodian, March 6th, 1916. Sealed proposals will be received at this building until 2 o'clock p. m., March 9, 1916, and then opened, for furnishing electric current, water, ice, and miscellaneous supplies, and washing towels during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917. Sealed proposals will also be received until 2 o'clock p. m., April 21, 1916, and then opened, for 25 tons bituminous coal and 1 cord wood. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved by the Treasury Department. J. N. Worsham, Custodian. 3-6-21.

MANY GOATS AMONG EXPORTS

"Cabrito" Valued at \$24,448 Passed Through Laredo En route Mexico; Other Exports Are Varied.

Exportations through this port to Mexico since March 1 have been quite heavy and varied in assortment, and one of the most interesting features in connection with the shipments to the Mexican republic is the number of goats, an animal that formerly figured in the imports to this country. In a list of the exportations published in the Times several days ago there was a large number of goats included, and the list published today includes more "cabrito," one of the national dishes of the land of Moctezuma.

According to the manifests filed with the customhouse here the exportations through this port for about three days up to and including March 2, were as follows: Chemicals valued at \$5,800, 534 tons of coke, 592 tons of coal, 5,559 bushels of corn, goats valued at \$24,448 (about 12,600 head), three American automobiles, 17,763 pounds of rope, 25,000 yards cotton cloth, 100,000 30-30 cartridges, 200,000 seven-millimeter cartridges, 10,975 pounds of soap, three carloads mining machinery and metal belting valued at \$6,638.

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LENT STARTS TOMORROW; EASTER SUNDAY IS APRIL 23

ROMAN CATHOLICS AND EPISCOPALS MUST TABOO PASTIMES

For Next Forty Days and Observe Regulations of the Season; in Laredo Lent Observed Strictly.

The forty-day season of Lent, a period of abstinence from luxuries and avoidance of entertainments on the part of the faithful of the Roman Catholic and Episcopalian churches, begins at midnight, or with the advent of Ash Wednesday, which is the first day of Lent. This season of abstinence endures until Easter Sunday, April 23.

To those who observe the Lenten season with due strictness it is a period of absolute quiet, devoid of the usual glee, enjoyment and home and outside entertainments. With some it is considered desirable and proper that worship be attended daily during Lent, and with the Roman Catholics there is frequent communion, generally on each Sunday of the season. Public amusements, especially operatic and other stage plays, are prohibited, and the celebration of religious festivals, as also of birthdays and marriages, are held to be unsuitable; increased diligence in alms-giving and deeds of charity is enjoined.

In Laredo the several Roman Catholic churches and the Episcopal church observe the Lenten season in a manner consistent with the edicts of the bishops of the two faiths, and especially have the Roman Catholics a long list of regulations set forth by the head of the diocese for observance, all these being consistent with the spirit of the Lenten season.

KILLING IN ZAPATA MONDAY

Prominent Young Man of the Town of Zapata Was Shot Down on the Street Yesterday Morning.

A deplorable tragedy which was followed by considerable excitement was enacted on the streets of the town of Zapata, in Zapata county, yesterday morning at about 9 o'clock, when Rosendo Ramirez, a prominent young man of that place, was shot down by Juan Elias Garza, with whom he had a difficulty at a baile the night previous.

Rosendo Ramirez, accompanied by a friend, Lazaro Coronado, was coming along the sidewalk yesterday morning and when in front of the home of Garza they noticed the man rush from the yard into the house. He quickly returned with a winchester rifle in his hand and aiming at Coronado first, he deliberately fired, but missed Coronado. Then he put the gun to his shoulder again and just as Ramirez wheeled about to face him he fired a second shot, the leaden missile entering just below Ramirez's right eye, ranging toward the brain and producing instant death. Garza then went back into his house.

A great crowd soon gathered and much excitement prevailed, but the father of Garza took his son from the house by a side road and accompanied him to the office of the sheriff, where he surrendered. The dead man is a member of one of the most prominent families of the Zapata community, while his slayer is a young man well known there. At the dance the night before the two had quarreled, harsh words were spoken and threats were made—and yesterday the climax came with a tragedy that nipped out the life of young Ramirez.

MEETING WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Gathering of Farmers to be Held at the Laredo Chamber of Commerce Quarters.

A meeting of the farmers of Webb county has been called for tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock at the Laredo Chamber of Commerce by August C. Richter, chairman of the farmers' committee. Prof. Fred W. Mally will address the meeting and matters of interest to the farming community will be discussed. Mr. J. E. Graf, who has been directing the spraying campaign against onion thrips, will attend the meeting and will be prepared to answer any questions that may be asked concerning the control of the thrips.

All of these meetings are open meetings and the general public is invited. A conference of the farmers at this time is especially important, as we are now approaching the close of the growing season for the onions.

Detailed plans for the farmers co-operative scientific work will be discussed.

Sign of Good Digestion.

When you see a cheerful and happy old lady you may know that she has good digestion. If your digestion is impaired or if you do not relish your meals take a dose of Chamberlain's Tablets. They strengthen the stomach, improve the digestion and cause a gentle movement of the bowels. Obtainable everywhere.

PROMINENT CUSTOMS MEN SPENDING DAY IN LAREDO

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After Leaving Laredo They Will Visit Different Custom Ports and Subports Along the Border.

A committee representing the United States Treasury Department and sent out to inspect the records of customs houses along the Texas-Mexican border, arrived in Laredo this morning and are spending today here looking over the situation at this point on the border and incidentally inspecting the records of the local customs house.

The committee is composed of three distinguished gentlemen, all government officials, and are the following: Paul Cook of the treasury department, Washington, D. D.; John B. Elliott, collector of the port of Los Angeles, California, and Henry Blackwood, special deputy collector of the port of Seattle, Washington.

They will spend a short time here looking over the situation along the border at this place and from here will go to Brownsville, Eagle Pass, Del Rio and El Paso. At each place they will acquaint themselves with conditions and the business being done with Mexico in the way of exportations and importations. After they shall have concluded their trip of inspection to the various ports and sub-ports of Texas customs districts they will make their report to the treasury department at Washington.

WORKING ON CUSTOM HOUSE

Contractor Jefferies of This City Begins Building Operations on the Nuevo Laredo Customhouse.

As announced in the Times some days ago, Contractor Jefferies was instructed to prepare to begin work immediately on the customhouse building in Nuevo Laredo, in keeping with the terms of a contract awarded him by the Mexican government over a year ago.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. Jefferies put a force of men to work on the foundation for the new building, which will be a two-story structure and cost \$26,000. The building is to be of a new and approved style of architecture and in every particular is to be modern and equipped with all of the latest conveniences. It will be rushed to completion as fast as is consistent with good workmanship.

Notice to the Public.

The firm of C. A. Swedberg & Sons, blacksmith and machine shop, has been dissolved by mutual consent, C. A. Swedberg retiring from the business. The business will be continued in the future under the firm name of C. O. Swedberg & Bro. All outstanding accounts due the old firm will be collected by the new firm and they will also pay all debts outstanding. C. A. SWEDBERG, C. O. SWEDBERG & BRO. Laredo, Texas, March 6, 1916. 3-6-31.

LEGAL QUESTION.

Pat was fishing in a river belonging to a rich man, over which there was a notice, "Trespassers prosecuted." Paddy ignored this statement, and after fishing for some time, caught a salmon, which he brought home and cooked. A policeman passing by the door smelled the salmon and knocked at the door. "Well, Pat O'Hara, in whose river did you catch that salmon?" "Well, I'll tell the honest truth, I caught it in that river near the gentleman's house over there." "Well," said the sergeant, "don't you know that everything in that river belongs to that gentleman?" "Arrah, to be sure," said Pat. "If I went for a swim in that river would I belong to that gentleman?"—Chicago News.

SURPRISE FOR PAT.

At a circus recently a lion died. The manager, seeing his friend Pat walking along the street, mentioned it to him, whereupon Pat offered to take the place of the lion and dress in the latter's skin. A trial performance was gone through, and Pat answered admirably, his "roaring" being most lifelike.

When the circus was opened Pat was seen in the lion's den, the keeper, with a pitchfork, keeping him up to "concert" form. The climax was reached when the keeper drove Pat into the tiger's cage. Pat was now extremely frightened, and rushed round and round the cage to escape the infuriated tiger. He was about to collapse when a hoarse voice came from the mouth of the pursuing tiger. 'Tis all right, Pat, me boy; don't be afraid. I only came here on the excursion, and was too late for the train to get home to Waterford."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

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LITTLE LOCALS

A force of men are at work making some improvements at the home of S. N. Johnson on Farragut street. The handsome home is also being given a spring coat of paint on the exterior.

The play at the Royal last night, "Bondwomen," featuring Maude Fealy, the great emotional actress in the leading role, should create a lasting and telling impression on those who saw it. The play brings out the pertinent point that a man and wife are partners and should share equally in finances, instead of the woman having to ask the man for every cent she needed at times.

At the meeting of the city council last night the mayor was instructed to issue the call for a municipal election to be held on Tuesday, April 4. Polling places and presiding officers were announced and the customary published call for an election will be made.

It is reported that one or two onion growers in the Laredo section are calculating on getting out their first car of onions during the next few days. But this does not necessarily mean that shipments will continue brisk thereafter—there is always a rush to get the first car and then a lull before the heavy shipments start.

Edward O. Staben, who has been manager of the Davis farm at Joyce for several months past, has resigned his position and is now employed with R. M. Johnson at Lillitas.

The visiting treasury department and customs officials who arrived in Laredo yesterday morning will remain here until tomorrow morning, when they will leave for Brownsville on an overland trip along the river. In this way they will become thoroughly acquainted with the Texas border between Laredo and Brownsville.

DEAL IS FORMALLY CLOSED; BUILDING CHANGES HANDS

COMPANY FORMED AMONG ELKS TAKES SAMES-MOORE BUILDING

Deal Has Been in Abeyance Several Weeks, But Was Not Closed Finally Until This Morning.

A number of the members of Laredo Lodge No. 1018, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, having formed themselves into a stock company with a stated capitalization, having purchased from Sames-Moore & Co. the building which for the past ten years or so, or since their organization, has been occupied by the Elks lodge, and is also now occupied by the Border Gas Co., the Windrow Drug Co., the Sanitary Grocery, E. J. Foster, surveyor and the Woman's Library. The consideration is private.

The deal for the purchase of the building has been in abeyance for some weeks past, the Elks lodge company having taken an option on the building and posted forfeit money over a month ago. But it was not until this morning that Sam Mackin, exalted ruler of the local lodge and the prime mover in the purchase of the building, formally closed the deal and the necessary papers were passed between the old and the new owners.

"The building was not purchased by the Elks Lodge of Laredo," said Mr. Mackin this morning to the Times reporter, "but we have organized a stock company composed of members of the organization and taken over the property. It will continue to be used for lodge purposes, as the present upper story is being utilized, and the other business houses maintained therein will retain their quarters in the building."

MUCH ORE COMING THROUGH

Mines of Mexico Are Sending the Crude Material Through Here Enroute to Smelters in New Jersey.

Represented in the heavy lists of importations which are constantly passing through Laredo is considerable ore from the mines and smelters of Mexico coming into Laredo almost daily from Mexico now, and invariably the shipments are crossed to this side in the afternoon and next morning started on their way to the refining plants in Perth Amboy, New Jersey.

The importations crossing to Laredo yesterday afternoon and in most instances leaving here this morning, consisted of the following goods, of which the calamine and antimony moved northward: Eighteen carloads of calamine, one carload of antimony, six carloads of ixite, one carload of hides, one carload of earthenware, one carload of chile and one carload miscellaneous materials.

SOCIETY

Mrs. Violet S. Oberfeldt
Editor Phone 70

SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Wednesday.

Missionary Society of the Methodist church will hold its regular weekly meeting at the church at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Ladies' Night at the Ninth Infantry Club in the evening.

Thursday.

The Ladies Card Club of Fort McIntosh will meet at the Ninth Infantry Club at half past two o'clock in the afternoon.

The Lonely Fight.
It's easy to be right when the multitude is cheering;
It is easy to have courage when you're fighting with the throng;
But it's altogether different when the multitude is sneering
To fight for what you know is right with no one else along.

It's easy to be honest when the multitude is gazing;
It is easy to be truthful when the crowds are standing by;
But it's altogether different when there is no spotlight blazing
To stand alone for what is right and never cheat or lie.

General Mention.

Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Wharton returned to Laredo yesterday after a week's stay in Mercedes.

Mr. and Mrs. Morrison, accompanied by Marjorie Lou Fish, went to San Antonio yesterday for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Martin, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Leyendecker and Miss Adela Bruni, returned from San Antonio early yesterday morning. They went especially to see the presentation of "The Garden of Allah."

Mrs. L. J. Christen and Mrs. Robt. McComb will visit friends in Victoria while absent, and Mr. Chester Burbank expects to return to San Antonio the latter part of the week to accompany them home.

Club Notes.

Christ Church Junior Auxiliary met with Mrs. Chas. Cook at the rectory at four o'clock yesterday afternoon. A very interesting and instructive hour was enjoyed by the children. A missionary lesson on Japan was studied with much enthusiasm by the small folk, and was made especially attractive by pictures and questions pertaining to the customs and conditions in that country. Each week in Lent a different mission field will be studied. Those members present were: Annet MacMussett, Anita Lane, Mary Besse MacDonald, Elizabeth and Charline Nye, Mary and Ralph Cook and Bayless Gullette.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church held a very pleasant meeting at the home of Mrs. H. B. Earnest yesterday afternoon. In the absence of the president, Mrs. S. B. Hopkins presided and conducted the study class, whose subject was "China." At the conclusion of the lesson a short business session was held, in which all matters pertaining to the church sale on Saturday were settled. The hostess served dainty refreshments consisting of pineapple sponge with whipped cream and cake. The members present were: Mesdames S. B. Hopkins, Pratt, Cotulla, Ramsay, Hansen, Sweatman, Neindorf, Butler, Sutton, Sorrell, Evans, Clark and Winch. The guests of the afternoon were: Mesdames Parkin and Millar. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Ramsay.

The Sunbeam Band of the Baptist church held its regular meeting at the church yesterday afternoon with Mrs. Absher as leader. An especially attractive program on home missions was enjoyed.

Recitation in concert, Psalm 23. Song, "Jesus Loves Little Children."

Reading, Elizabeth Woods. Letter from West Tampa, read by William Burr.

Letter from Miss Mitchell, read by Henry Woods.

Song, "Jesus Wants Me for a Sunbeam."

Story-telling, "And a little child shall lead them," Mrs. Absher.

Thank offering.

Song, "I've Two Little Hands to Work for Jesus."

Lord's Prayer.

Song, "Little Sunbeams."

Prayer.

Those members present were: Annie McKicken, Mary Elizabeth Woods, Lina and May Hopson, Miriam Absher, Henry Woods, James Burr, William Burr.

Entertainments.

Mrs. Fritz Werner entertained yesterday afternoon from four to six o'clock with a delightful children's party, complimenting her son, Arthur Werner. Dancing and games were the pastimes of the afternoon. Refreshments were served from a long table placed on the lawn, consisting of tamales and coffee, cake and candies. About fifty guests were present.

Mrs. A. E. Younklin was hostess to a charmingly appointed party yesterday afternoon for the members of the Auction Bridge Club and additional guests. The rooms were decorated in violets and sweet peas. From tables daintily set, each carrying a centerpiece of violets and sweet peas, placed in baskets, a delightful salad course was served before cards were played. The place favors were bougainvillees of violets and the tally cards were of violet designs. The

game resulted in Mrs. W. N. Young winning the club prize, a beautiful inlaid tapestry tray, mounted in nickel plate. The guest prize was awarded to Mrs. C. M. Fish, six white, gold-rimmed ranchkins. Those to enjoy the hospitality of the afternoon were: Club members—Mesdames Brennan, J. W. Brewster, Cogley, O. J. Cook, Daiches, H. G. DaCamara, W. T. Hill, J. P. Leyendecker, A. Martin, J. B. Morton, W. N. Young, J. Vidales; Guests—Mesdames J. B. DaCamara, W. E. Lowry, C. M. Fish, H. I. Greer, H. W. Johnston, Lusk, A. C. Hamilton and G. C. Woodman.

Supper Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Werner entertained very pleasantly last evening with a very informal supper party. The house was attractively decorated in cut flowers and pot plants. The personnel included: Mr. and Mrs. Sorrell, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stowers, Mr. and Mrs. John Applewhite, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Netzer, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Brewster, Mr. and Mrs. Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson of South Laredo, Mr. and Mrs. Maloney, Mr. and Mrs. Culvert of South Laredo, Messrs. Fred Ligarde and MacKendrick and the hosts.

Dance.

A beautiful hospitality of last evening was the regular monthly hop of the Married Ladies Dancing Club which was given at Elks Hall. This being the last dance to be given until after Lent there was an unusually large attendance, about one hundred guests in all. Delicious sandwiches and coffee were served in the parlor from a table laid with a handsome drawn work cover, the centerpiece being a basket filled with red geraniums and ferns surrounded by red, shaded candlesticks. Among those who were present were: Col. and Mrs. Brown, Capt. and Mrs. Sirmey, Capt. and Mrs. Bell, Mrs. Parkin, Mrs. Lobdell, Mr. and Mrs. Mackin, Mr. and Mrs. Millar, Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Moser, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Fasnacht, Mr. and Mrs. Foster, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Cogley, Mr. Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. Barlow, Mr. and Mrs. Fish, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Martin, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Bueez, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. DaCamara, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Austin, Mrs. Boehm, Mrs. H. I. Greer; Misses Louise Muller, Edna Brown, Alice Denike, Marguerite Nelson, Mary Louise Cone, Elizabeth Mussett, Dora Gullette, Myrtle Mackin, Ethyl Mackin, Miss Dukes of Asherton, Heusinger of San Antonio, Richardson of Asherton, Sara and Marie Mowry, Dorothy Smith, Olive Gray, Alice Gray, Major Brooks Payne, Major Heavy, Lieutenants Dwan, Gill, Gilbreath, Cronin; F. F. Russell, Horace Welmer, L. Bruni, L. Nelson, Seymour Denike, Jack Lobdell, Randall Nye, Percy Winch, Chester Pickering, Henry Burr, B. Alexander, E. Cluck, J. Gray, Alden Muller, Gerald Sielski, Robert Muller, Robert Ennis, and many others.

Announcements.

In accordance with Article 2 of the Constitution of the Married Ladies Dancing Club, an election of officers will be held on Saturday, March the eleventh, one year to date from prior election of officers. The meeting to be held at Elks parlors, promptly at ten a. m. All members are urged to be present.

Display at Bon Ton.

Watch for the date of our Smart Millinery Display that will far surpass any display of previous seasons, not only in brilliancy of color but in variety and attractiveness of styles—a display of milady's headgear not soon to be forgotten. We want you to make every effort to come and see for yourself the many charming patterns we will display.

BON TON MILLINERY.

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BIG SUFFRAGE BALL IN NEW YORK.

New York, March 8.—Costumes of bright "suffrage yellow" are the cheapest and prettiest things to be seen at the "Grand Suffrage Carnival Ball" to be given tonight by the New York State Woman Suffrage Party in Madison Square Garden. The gowns are supplied by the Carnival Committee at ten cents each. If a costume grows shabby during the evening, another can be had at the same price.

How to Fight Tuberculosis.
In a paper read last year before the Texas County Medical Society and published in part in the Louisville "Medical Progress," Dr. J. W. Carhart, of San Antonio, Texas, a physician who has devoted much time to the study of tuberculosis, said: "Since lime salts constitute three-fourths of all the mineral substances of the human body, they must be supplied in the foods or supplemented in mineral preparations, or natural sources of lime with tuberculosis unchecked. The widespread and unchecked spread of tuberculosis and other preventable diseases is due largely to the deficiency (lime lacking) conditions of mankind throughout the civilized world."

Thus from another authoritative medical source comes justification for the use of lime in the treatment of tuberculosis. Since this is one of the ingredients of Eckman's Alternative, much of the success attending the widespread use of this remedy doubtless is due to the combination of this salt in such a way as to render it easily assimilable. It causes no stomach disturbance, and since it contains neither opiates nor habit-forming drugs, it is safe to use.

Eckman's Alternative has effected remarkable results in numerous cases of pulmonary tuberculosis (consumption) and allied chronic affections of the throat and bronchial passages. In many instances such conditions, apparently, have yielded completely to it.

In case your druggist is out of it, ask him to order, or send direct to Eckman Laboratory, Philadelphia

PERSONALS

Sid Katz of San Antonio is a guest at the Lender.

John A. Landrum has returned to Laredo to make his home and has accepted a position with the Wells-Fargo Express.

W. D. Young, district and freight agent of the Missouri Pacific Ry. and St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern Ry., with headquarters at San Antonio arrived in the city yesterday.

Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Wharton returned yesterday from a ten days visit to Mercedes, Texas, where Rev. Wharton conducted religious meeting. They report a very pleasant and enjoyable visit.

HAMILTON.—Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Williams, Lee Lyman, H. H. White, E. R. Todd, Thrall, Hugh Foley, Chester E. Hardy, Houston; D. L. Garnett, H. G. H. Wehnert, Dallas; S. G. White, Boston; Mr. and Mrs. Felix Es Palairain, San Antonio.

BENLER.—L. E. Hutchinson, San Antonio; A. M. Davis and wife, Houston; J. A. Robbs, El Paso; G. C. Barton, Brownsville; Mrs. L. A. Morrow, Lillitas; A. S. Stern, San Antonio; W. W. Rich, Houston; Mrs. Whitaker, Reiser; A. W. Foster, C. V. Broch, San Antonio; T. M. Mara, St. Louis, Mo.; L. F. Wilson, Chicago; R. W. Dongan, Wilmington; J. W. Hanson, Memphis, Tenn.; V. Richard, Tampico; Cesar Mayer and wife, San Antonio; E. A. Feustenker, Cincinnati; E. M. Lewis, San Antonio; Mrs. M. B. Holmer, Clinton, Ia.; A. B. Rutherford, St. Louis, Mo.; E. F. Halling, San Antonio; E. D. Arnold, San Antonio; John G. Rix, Fort Worth; James Otey, Houston; Sid Katz, San Antonio; Eric F. McCarthy, Caldwell; Leslie Payne, H. S. Thorn, R. L. Scott, J. F. Henderson, A. G. Webb, San Antonio; Lee M. Kemsley, Del Rio; James O'Keefe, Chicago; J. H. Fitcher and wife, Beaumont.

COULD LICK A STAMP.

Buffalo, N. Y., March 8.—"Could you lick a postage stamp?" Sergeant George B. McGee, recruiter for the United States Marine Corps, standing in the lobby of the postoffice watching for "prospects," turned about angrily at this slur on his fighting ability, only to face a heavily veiled woman carrying parcels under each arm. The woman went on to say that she would have to raise her new-fangled veil to do it herself and would the sergeant oblige? So the sergeant gallantly obliged, and licked not only one but several stamps and placed them on the parcels she was carrying.

"The United States Marine Corps is prepared for anything," McGee later explained, "even to licking stamps for fair damsels in distress."

YOUNGSTOWN WORKERS CUT BIG MELON.

Youngstown, O., March 8.—The employees of the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Co., will today receive their bonuses for 1915, and it is estimated that \$300,000 in addition to the regular wages, will be distributed today.

TO THE UNSATISFIED ALIEN.

To the Alien Grumbler.
Don't you like the U. S., well why are you here?

Why come to a country inferior to yours?

You heard of her freedom, perhaps, did you not?

Else why did you come from your dear native shores?

Why do you sneer at the Stars and the Stripes?

Why do you stay where a country's not game?

For this is your thought, in the code which you think

When you boast of your land, living under our name.

Wake up, man alive, and come out of the trance!

Go back or shut up—prove your actual worth;

Did you live free at home?—well, you live that way here,

And you're living in the very best country on earth!

—R. L. Hardin, Portland, Oregon.

The Secret of its popularity is inside the bottle.

SUNNY BROOK
The PURE FOOD Whiskey

J. OPPENHEIMER & CO.
General Distributors
San Antonio, Texas

"No orders solicited or accepted in violation of Texas Liquor Laws."

CLIMAX OF VERDUN BATTLE EXPECTED TO COME TOMORROW OR FRIDAY IT IS SAID

No German Infantry Attacks Made Last Night, but Artillery Fighting Still Continues Today—German Official Statement Says French were Driven Out of Last Houses Held in Fresnes Village.

CHINESE MERRY WAR CAUSES A BLOCKADE

TONG LEADERS THREATENED WITH BUSINESS LOSS IF PEACE IS NOT DECLARED AT ONCE.

San Francisco, Calif., March 8.—Tong leaders in San Francisco's Chinatown received warning from the chief of police today that unless peace were made immediately with the Suesy On and Hop Sing tongs he would declare a blockade on Chinatown and warn all tourists to stay away from the quarter. Officials believe that temporarily suspending this prolific source of commercial activity will result in an adjustment of the differences.

FIRE THREATENS PLANT.

Niagara Falls, N. Y., March 8.—Fire following last night's explosion in the Niagara Electro-Chemical Company's plant threatened to totally destroy the plant today.

SUICIDE OF FAMOUS CLOWN.

New York, March 8.—Frank (Silver) Oakley, a circus clown who has made millions of people laugh, died today as a result of suicide by asphyxiation. He was 45 years old.

BLIND FAGIN CASE BEFORE GRAND JURY.

Minneapolis, March 8.—An entirely new vice inquiry, threatening the exposure of shocking conditions in hotels hitherto unmentioned in the vice crusade, and attended by the arrest of proprietors and others, among them an alleged blind pickpocket, is predicted today, as the grand jury begins its probe into the new and shocking testimony.

The evidence furnished by a 15-year-old girl, who has been missing for several months, and who claims she was trained as a pickpocket by the "blind Fagin" of Minneapolis, will be the big gun to be fired. The girl is a minister's daughter, and her father is heartbroken by her terrible story.

The girl has named six hotels and rooming houses, one cafe and several persons connected with the places. Two women held as witnesses are also said to have important information which will be presented to the grand jury, which body will be asked for indictments against all persons who contributed to the delinquency of the girl.

For two months the young girl was in the clutch of the underworld. She disappeared on Jan. 2, after telling her parents she was going to a party. She was found when a man told the police he had been robbed at a hotel by a young girl. His description resulted in her arrest. The blind man, who had been helped by police of fliers and firemen, disappeared at the time.

According to the story told by the victim of the "blind Fagin," she met the blind man in a cafe in company with some girl acquaintances. In less than two hours she had been persuaded to stay away from home. The blind man took a fancy to her, and had such influence over her that she was completely in his power. She was taught to pick pockets, which at first she thought was great fun. Immediately after taking her first lessons she robbed several men. She claims the blind man took the money from her as soon as she had secured it and occasionally gave her some small change.

Take Po-Do-Lax in Spring.

In winter our blood gets thick, our pores close, we feel tired and dull when hot days come. What we need is a spring liver tonic, something to rid our system of winter's accumulated waste. Po-Do-Lax will do it. It stimulates the bile, empties the bowels. The organs become more active and in a little while you feel like new. Don't neglect cleaning out your system. Take Po-Do-Lax and you will feel fine. 50c. at your druggist.

By Associated Press.
Although the Verdun fighting is still intense, the situation is unchanged today. The climax of the battle is expected tomorrow or Friday. The Germans made no infantry attacks last night but artillery fighting continues. Paris semi-official announcements say that the French recaptured portions of the trenches in Champagne lost March 6. In addition to taking a position near Forges six kilometers wide and three deep, the German official report says the French were driven out of the last houses they held in Fresnes village, the Germans taking sixty officers, 3,000 men and ten cannon. The heights of Raben and Cumeres woods are in German possession.

Rumors are Unconfirmed.
London, March 8.—An Athens despatch reports that the rumors of the death of Enver Pasha, the Turkish minister of war, are unconfirmed.

German Position Stated.
Washington, March 8.—German Ambassador Bernstorff, at the instruction of his government, today handed Secretary Lansing a long memorandum explaining in detail the German position in regard to armed ships and the causes leading to the decision of the Central powers to torpedo without warning all armed merchantmen of their enemies. The contents of the memorandum were not divulged. It is understood to contain an allegation that Great Britain took advantage of the United States, that Americans must be safe on defensive armed merchantmen to have those ships attacked offensively toward enemy submarines. Germany concedes that it is understood that the present international law makes no provision for the use of submarines as they are new, and will operate according to the law before the war providing England does the same.

BEGINNING YOUNG.

Lawton, Okla., March 8.—Richard Jennings, three years old, pointed a small target rifle at Hazel, his 7-year old sister, in play. An instant later the weapon was discharged and Hazel fell dead.

LAREDO CASE ADVANCED.

Austin, March 8.—In the supreme court today a motion was granted to advance the case of the City of Laredo vs. B. F. Looney, mandamus. The case relates to the refusal of the attorney general to approve the bonds which the city issued and which were lately refunded.

LAWTON'S LARGEST FUNERAL.

Lawton, Okla., March 8.—Lawton saw its largest funeral today when Daniel O'Kane's family, found slain in their home near here Monday, were buried. The church was unable to hold the hundreds attending. The eight bodies were placed in one grave. Testimony at the coroner's inquest indicated that O'Kane killed his wife, five children and his father and then shot himself.

TRY AGAIN TO AUCTION RAILROAD.

Cleveland, O., March 8.—The auction sale of the Wheeling and Lake Erie Railroad is set for today, after five postponements. The road has a total mileage of 804, and is in the hands of receivers, under the federal court.

THOUSAND AUTOS TO ESCORT DRY PETITION.

Toronto, Ont., March 8.—A thousand automobiles will tomorrow escort the Province-wide petition for prohibition, when it is delivered on a motor truck to the Hearst cabinet. Fully 25,000 persons will march in the "dry" parade. Nearly a million residents Ontario have signed the petition. The petition asks for a measure prohibiting the sale of alcohol as a beverage, or the submission of such a measure to popular vote.

PRESENTED CITY WITH PALM

Mrs. Clarence Jefferies Contributes Plant to the Beautification of the Modern Jarvis Plaza.

Mrs. Clarence Jefferies today presented the city of Laredo with a large and beautiful date palm to go towards the beautification of Jarvis Plaza. The immense palm is being transplanted on the plaza today.

Several Laredo people who take a pride in civic improvement work have contributed to the beautification of Laredo's new and modern plaza and when the springtime sets in to earnest the trees and plants there will take on and retain a healthy and luxuriant growth.

COUNTY COLLECTOR IS ARRESTED TODAY

HOUSTON OFFICIAL AND OTHERS CHARGED WITH MISUSE OF PUBLIC FUNDS.

Austin, Texas, March 8.—Karl L. Druesdow, tax collector of Harris county, of Houston; C. C. Quillen, former bookkeeper in the tax department of the comptroller's office, and T. B. Smilie, Quillen's assistant, of Austin, were indicted by the Travis county grand jury Tuesday, charging Druesdow with misapplication of tax funds and Quillen and Smilie with assisting him. The indictment alleges that Druesdow misused \$40,000 during a three-year period. He was released on a \$15,000 bond. Quillen was released on a \$3,000 bond and Smilie on a \$5,000 bond. Although the indictments were returned yesterday the names were not made public until today, when the men were arrested.

NOT SEASONED SOLDIER.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 8.—Newton D. Baker left today for Washington to take the oath of office and enter on his duties as secretary of war. "I'll have lots to learn," he said. "As a boy I never even played with tin soldiers."

DOESN'T WANT WAR.

Washington, March 8.—The chairman of the senate foreign relations committee, Senator Stone, declared in the senate today after conferring with Mr. Wilson last night that "The president's supreme wish was to avoid involving this country in the European war."

GOULD LINES SUED IN FRISCO.

San Francisco, March 8.—The Missouri Pacific and the Denver & Rio Grande railroads, two Gould lines, have been ordered to appear as defendants in a suit for accounting against the Western Pacific Railway, filed by representatives of the first mortgage bondholders of the Western Pacific. The Gould lines must interplead within the next two weeks in the local federal court.

NAVY AVIATORS MANEUVER ON PACIFIC COAST.

San Francisco, March 8.—The naval maneuvers off the coast of Santa Barbara, in which war vessels, aerotaking part for several weeks past, will have an important bearing on the aeroplane's importance in connection with coast defense, it is said. Just how effective the air machines of an enemy might be in operations against the defended coast line is one of the problems being studied out. The navy aviators have been playing along the coast in a practical demonstration of the value of their eagle eyes as observers, and the naval officers of the defending and attacking fleets have been given an opportunity to test out the methods for defense against the air scouts.

Under secret orders from Washington, half a dozen war vessels have been playing a war game at Santa Barbara, against a flock of aviators from the San Diego school of aviation. On Friday of this week, the naval and aero squadrons will move to San Pedro for further maneuvers. The gunners on aero war vessels are getting some excellent training, incidentally in the use of the high-angle guns for defense against aviators. The speed and distance of the aeroplanes must needs be gauged.

WEATHER FORECAST.

The following forecast from the United States weather bureau at New Orleans is furnished The Times by the Telephone Co. each day:

Tonight fair, continued cold. Thursday fair; rising temperature.
Local Weather Report.
The following are the observations taken at Fort McIntosh for the 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today:
Max. temp. 102 degs.
Min. temp. 45 degs.
General direction of wind: North. Clear.

From Thursday's Daily.

PERSONA NON GRATA.

The Carranza government now wants Francisco de la Barra deported from the United States on the alleged grounds that he is inciting a revolution against the de facto government, and is therefore violating the neutrality of the United States.

De la Barra denies that he is in any way concerned in the present revolution against the de facto government, while admitting that he does not believe that Carranza is capable of governing Mexico.

There would seem to be little foundation for the Carranza charges against de la Barra, who is known to be a reputable gentleman and one who was formerly a diplomatic representative to Washington. He bears a good reputation in this country, and his daily acts should be open to investigation by our secret service if there was any reason to suspect him.

Since the inception of the Carranza regime our government has been asked to extradite Mexicans who were not acceptable to the Carrancistas, as well as to deport others who were alleged to have been active in campaign against the recognition of Carranza.

Were the position to be reversed, it is certain that our government would not favorably consider a request to deport Arredondo or any other of the Carranza representatives. In fact, during the Huerta regime there were representatives of several Mexican factions openly carrying on their propaganda in this country and none of them was deported or extradited.

The American people have never been in favor of the arrest or deportation of political offenders. Save in the case of men who were proved to have committed crimes, there has never been a case where a man was deported for a purely political offense.

Naturally, the Carranza government understands this fact as well as any American, and therefore it has been necessary to "frame up" a case against those they wished deported or arrested.

Possibly the true facts concerning the alleged Huerta-Orozco "conspiracy" may never be made public, but there is every reason to believe that much of the "evidence" against Huerta was deliberately manufactured by his Mexican opponents.

It will take more than the mere word of Arredondo or any other Carranza representative to convince the American government that de la Barra has been concerned in illegal acts in connection with the revolution which has begun against the Carranza government.

There is little doubt that a great many Mexicans, especially those of the better class, are opposed to a continuance of the Carranza government. Even here in Laredo there are many who have never been active in the revolutionary movements who express themselves as pleased that the Felix Diaz movement has begun.

No doubt de la Barra is also pleased with the new movement, but it is an entirely different matter to give active aid and encouragement to the revolt, and his word is certainly as good as that of his political opponents, who have not hesitated in the past to give false and misleading information to our government.

De la Barra has lived quietly in this country for some time past. He was accused by the Carrancistas of a guilty complicity in the Huerta "plot," but he was easily able to prove his innocence of the charges.

Several times mentioned as president, after having served for some months as provisional president during the period which followed Diaz's abdication before Madero assumed the presidency, de la Barra is looked upon by the present party in power as a dangerous antagonist.

He is a clever diplomat, a man versed in statecraft, is possessed of more brains and capacity than perhaps any one of the Carrancista party, and would undoubtedly make a better chief executive than any of the makeshifts who followed Huerta.

But so long as he remains quiet in this country and does not violate any of our laws, we must give him the same refuge that was given to the Carrancistas while Huerta was in power.

CRIMINAL NEGLIGENCE.

A news item from Oklahoma says that a three-year old boy pointed a target rifle at his seven-year sister and fired, killing the little girl.

A fatality of that nature is directly and entirely due to criminal negligence on the part of the parents. There is nothing that can excuse the carelessness which permitted a little child, barely able to walk, to have in his possession a loaded weapon.

That a child so young should be able to point and fire a rifle does not show anything more on the part of the little one than the possession of the imitative faculty. He of course

could not understand the danger of playing with such deadly toys, although the older sister might have been expected to understand the menace of a pointed weapon.

In the majority of fatalities resulting from carelessness it is usually the case that the carelessness is that of an older person. The child who falls into a tub of water and is drowned has not the reasoning faculty which will prevent him from taking the risk. But the person who left the water where it could be reached by the child is to be blamed for neglect.

One reads of children seriously or even fatally hurt by wagons or automobiles in the streets. Whose is the fault that permits children to play in the streets without someone to watch them?

In most accidents resulting from vehicles, it is not the fault of the driver. There are few persons who are so calloused that they would fully drive over a person, either grown or of tender years. But in most cases the accident is unavoidable on the part of the driver, who does not see the person until too late to avert the casualty.

One reads of children eating poisonous fly paper, or rat paste, or drinking poisonous liquids from bottles carelessly left within reach. In every such case the child is not to blame, but the fault is that of the older person who left the dangerous poison where a child could reach it.

Naturally, children of the average family cannot be watched every moment. There are times when even the most careful mother needs to leave her baby to play alone. But no mother has a right to leave a child of a few years where it can reach dangerous objects. And the results of such carelessness are frequently life-long remorse and sorrow.

Most of the accidents resulting from firearms are caused by the careless handling of the weapons by children. Seldom is a grown person injured by his careless handling of a gun or pistol, while the accidents caused by the possession of firearms by little children are numerous.

No one who has a firearm which can be reached by children should leave it loaded. There are few cases when a gun is needed that it cannot be loaded when the need comes. And many an accident could be averted by placing all arms beyond reach of the children, as well as secreting the ammunition where they cannot find it.

The parents of the little girl who met her death at the hands of her baby brother will never be able to forget the terrible accident. And if they will only be able to impress upon others the danger of such a practice as that which permitted the baby to get hold of a loaded rifle, the neighbors may also be reminded of their duty to their children, as well as to the community.

But there is little hope that the accidents which happen to others will prevent the majority from being as careless as ever. There are few days in the year when a child is not injured or killed by such a reprehensible lack of care and precaution, and the probability is that few will profit by the terrible accident just related.

Safety first is a motto of the day, but how many stop long enough to observe even the most rudimentary precautions in the care of their children? Some people should never be trusted with a gun in the house, and this seems to be one of the cases.

Senator Stone says it is "the supreme wish of the president to avoid involving this country in the European War." And the senator was the man whom the German paper, The Fatherland pointed to as having broken off relations with Mr. Wilson because of the latter's desire for war. The two stories do not jibe.

The Chinese tong leaders are facing a blockade of Chinatown in San Francisco if they do not compose their differences. Why not send John Lind over there to settle the trouble? He knows as much about China as he did about Mexico.

The new secretary of war says that he never even played with tin soldiers when a boy. How on earth does he expect to handle some of the tin material he has to work with?

Enver Pasha, the Turkish minister, was reported dead, but the reports have not been confirmed. Perhaps the Turkish censor might have something to say about it. Or again, perhaps Enver does not really know whether he is dead or not until the despatches from Berlin arrive.

When to Take Chamberlain's Tablets.

When you feel dull and stupid after eating.

When constipated or bilious.

When you have a sick headache.

When you have a sour stomach.

When you belch after eating.

When you have indigestion.

When nervous or despondent.

When you have no relish for your meals.

When your liver is torpid.

Obtainable everywhere.

HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

Catron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during his time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair.

At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without its tiring me, and am doing all my work."

If you are all run down from womanly troubles, don't give up in despair. Try Cardui, the woman's tonic. It has helped more than a million women, in its 50 years of continuous success, and should surely help you, too. Your druggist has sold Cardui for years. He knows what it will do. Ask him. He will recommend it. Begin taking Cardui today.

Write to: Chattanooga Medicine Co., Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga, Tenn., for Special Instructions on your case and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent in plain wrapper. 1-69

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

MARCH 9

1759—Sweden and Russia signed a treaty for neutrality of the Baltic.

1679—Edict issued in England forbidding pardon for killing another in a duel.

1793—Congress passed an act to organize the militia and enroll every able-bodied white male citizen between the ages of 18 and 45.

1812—Pres. Madison disclosed John Henry's plot to dismember the Union.

1862—Famous sea fight of the Monitor and the Merrimack, demonstrating the superiority of the armored warship over the wooden ships.

1880—Empress of Austria visited Queen Victoria at Windsor Castle.

1895—Belgian and French ministers expelled from Venezuela.

1912—Medical experts witnessed inoculation for tuberculosis by Dr. Friedmann, the German physician, in New York.

1914—British Government, answering Ulster's objection to home rule for Ireland, suggests exclusion of Ulster for six years from its operation.

1914—U. S. Supreme Court refused to review conviction of the officers of the iron workers' union in the dynamite cases.

1915—THE WAR. U. S. asks information as to how Great Britain's blockade of Germany was to be maintained. Austrians claim capture of important Russian positions in Poland, West Galicia and the Carpathians. Belgians and British shell German trenches.

HERBINE cures constipation and re-establishes regular bowel movements. Price 50c. Sold by all druggists.

SPORT NOTES.

Recruits and veterans are filling the big baseball camps in the South. Many are called, but few are chosen in this game of survival of the fittest. But the wise managers profit by experience, and we can look forward to the veterans being in the line-up when the season opens.

The Chicago bowling experts will have their inning the next few days at the American Bowling Congress at Toledo. Four thousand picked bowlers are showing their speed in the big tournament. Nine clubs from Chicago go on the alleys tomorrow, twelve on Friday and fourteen on Saturday. The big bowling meet is breaking all records, and will last until Mar. 27.

It is now assured that Duke Kahanamoku, the great Hawaiian swimmer, will compete in the coming national championship. The Duke will be seen at many of the baths in the United States during his tour, for several match races are already arranged.

The origin of the shin-guard in baseball as a means of protection from spikes has up to now been credited to Roger Bresnahan. But even this pet theory that was all settled and everybody satisfied, has been upset by the revelation that one Bud Fowler, a gentleman of color, who played with Birmingham back in the eighties, wore the first shin-guards. Bud had his troubles, we are now told for there were those who resented

THIS IS MY 48th BIRTHDAY

CHARLES WARREN.

Charles Warren, Assistant Attorney General of the United States, who handles the government's legal machinery for enforcement of the neutrality laws, is 48 years old today.

The fraudulent passport cases have been among the most important and the most delicate which have come under his supervision. The wireless cases, involving the censorship of messages, were also in his care. The legal questions growing out of false or incomplete manifests for trading ships are also handled by him. Mr. Warren came to the Department of Justice a year ago last summer, when the European War was breaking out.

He found a mountain of work to be done, but he put his shoulder to the wheel and made a big success of it. He was well equipped in legal lore, having been long in practice, and having written several books on the history of the American Bar. Mr. Warren comes from Boston, where he was born March 9, 1868, the son of Hon. Winslow Warren, a noted lawyer and Cleveland Democrat. He married a daughter of William H. Bliss, a famous New York attorney, and their home in Washington is a scene of social gatherings. Mr. Warren is one of the busiest men in the Wilson administration. One of the most recent of the additional duties assigned him is to decide questions relating to the operation of the Federal Reserve act. Matters relating to Panama and Alaska also find their way to his desk. He often argues before the Supreme Court, and has won some notable decisions.

WILL ARRIVE HERE TOMORROW

Jose W. Rodgers, Special Representative of State Department to Carranza, Reaches Here Friday.

Jose W. Rodgers, special representative at the state department at Washington, D. C., to Provisional President Carranza of Mexico, will arrive in Laredo tomorrow morning on his way to Mexico, and while here will be entertained as the guest of Brigadier General Evans and shown every courtesy at Fort McIntosh and the Ninth Infantry Camp.

Mr. Rodgers, who is now on a mission of importance to his country and will report to his chief, will probably remain here until Saturday or Sunday before proceeding on his way to Mexico.

the intrusion of the smoke, and it was a regular thing to come into second base spikes first. Bud found he couldn't last over five innings in any one game, so he got some barrel staves and put on armor.

The horse racing map undergoes a shift this week, the New Orleans horses going over to Hot Springs, where a spring meet opens on Friday. This meet fills in the gap which leads to the Kentucky season.

A swimming race between Miss Dorothy Becker and Miss Frances Cowells will divide attention with the match between Lady Langer and Duke Kahanamoku at San Francisco next Friday, in the championship meet of the Pacific Coast. Several other mermaids will be seen in the women's events, and the Duke will meet some of the fastest swimmers on the coast.

TIMES WANT ADS.
Money Makers

THREE NEW SCHOOL HOUSES TO BE ERECTED IN VACATION

THAT IS THE PRESENT PLAN OF THOSE WHO HAVE CHARGE

Prompt Approval of Bonds, Printing and Sale of Same and Money Made Available If This is Possible.

At the next meeting of the city council of Laredo, which will be held on the evening of Tuesday, March 21, there will come up before that body the proposition of the passage of an ordinance authorizing the issue of school bonds in the sum of \$80,000 in pursuance to the expressed wishes of the property tax-payers of Laredo given at the special election for that purpose which was held on last Saturday, the vote being 121 to 5 in favor of the bond issue.

As soon as the ordinance is passed and approved by the city council certified copies of the records will be taken to Austin, where City Attorney Winslow will ask the attorney general to examine and approve the school bond issue. If this is done instantly the city attorney will then immediately order the bonds printed and later Mayor McComb will seek to sell them to the best and highest bidder. In this manner it is hoped to have the issue of \$80,000 bonds approved, printed, sold and the money available not later than the latter part of May, when the schools here close for vacation.

According to what the Times can ascertain regarding the proposition to set the work on the \$40,000 high school building and the two ward school buildings under way as soon as possible, it is said that the submission of plans and specifications for the three buildings will be asked within a very short time, and that as soon as this is done, and while the bond sale is still held in abeyance while being advertised, it is proposed to advertise for bids for the construction of the three school buildings and award the contract to the lowest bidder, as may be consistent with the requirements specified in the call for bids.

If the present plans of the school trustees and the city council do not abort and everything moves smoothly, the handsome new high school and the two modern and spacious ward school buildings will be under construction immediately after vacation is ushered in, and when the schools open in September the probability is that all three buildings will be completed, equipped and ready for occupancy. If not the high school classes will be temporarily housed in quarters where they will pursue their work pending the completion of the building, while the ward schools will not necessarily seriously affect any work if they are not ready for occupancy on the day that the schools in the wards in which they are to be erected are to resume their studies and work.

HOW APPENDICITIS CAN BE PREVENTED.

Laredo people should know that a few doses of simple huckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as mixed in Adler-ika, often relieve or prevent appendicitis. This simple mixture removes such surprising foul matter that ONE SPOONFUL relieves almost ANY CASE of constipation, sour stomach or gas. A short treatment helps chronic stomach trouble. Adler-ika has easiest and most thorough action of anything we ever sold. The City Drug Co.

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LITTLE LOCALS

—With work of construction beginning about June 1 on three large and modern school buildings in Laredo, while work on numerous other structures will be in full blast in all parts of the city, even the most pronounced pessimist will be convinced that from the standpoint of building Laredo is "going some."

—A stunning lot of dress hats to be displayed at The Bon Ton during March will create more than the usual interest in Milady's Spring Chapeau.

—The Lenten season is here now and for a while at least there is going to be a dearth in society doings, for Lent is a season that is quite generally observed by Roman Catholics and Episcopalians and they taboo certain pleasures during the time.

—We buy, sell, rent and exchange furniture of all kinds. Beds and mattresses for the celebration. Renovation of mattresses a specialty. Phone 417. H. Dubin Mercantile Co., 1110 Turbide street.

—The milliners are preparing for their display of those "cute little Easter bonnets" within a short time now. The styles this year are said to contain many novel and attractive styles, and here in Laredo the milliners will have the latest and best in milady's headwear.

—Now is the time to clip your horses. We do it at a reasonable charge. Laredo Transfer Co. Phone 864.

—The Manhattan Cafe, the new and up-to-date restaurant located at 606 Flores Avenue, was opened for business yesterday and is already commanding patronage. During the initial day quite a number of those who eat in cafes visited the new place and pronounced it a cafe with the best of service.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-tf.

—The party of treasury department and customs officials from Washington, D. C., Los Angeles and Seattle, who have been spending the past two days here looking over the situation at this point on the border and going over the customs house records, left this morning en route to Brownsville in an auto and will stop at Rio Grande City and Hidalgo en route.

—Handkerchiefs, laces, domestics, lawns and house furnishings at Saff's. 2-29-tf.

—It is worth while to wait and get the hat that pleases you and is admired by others. This is the kind you will find at The Bon Ton's showing of Easter Millinery. 3-7-5t.

—The importations through this port yesterday afternoon from Mexico consisted of ten carloads of lead bullion, six carloads of calamine, five carloads of ixite and of hides.

—Eastern Hair Dressing Shop, 1210 Lincoln street. Phone 889 for appointment. 9-23-tf.

—Advices from Mexico City say that Carranza currency dropped to 2 1/2 cents, or rather that each peso was worth that much based on an equivalent in gold. And some people wonder why Mexican merchants, after paying good silver and gold for their supplies of goods do not take the practically worthless paper money in exchange therefor.

—For self starter work see Yeary at the Citizens Garage. 6-25-tf.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-tf (Adv.)

—There will be a band concert on the Jarvis Plaza this evening beginning at 8 o'clock, the music being furnished by an orchestra which arrived here recently from Monterey.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans. 4-24-tf. (Adv.)

—Yesterday the Times erroneously stated that Earnest Biskamp was one of the 26 honor students out of a total of 923 and that he was a member of the freshman class. The total number of honor students was sixty-six and Ernest was one of the two-year course students.

—If it is neat and accurate job printing that you want send your orders to The Times job department. Expert workmanship and the best of materials. 19-tf.

FIRST CAR OF ONIONS LEAVE

One Carload Left Here Last Night for Eastern Markets and Two More Were Shipped Out Today.

What was the first solid car of Laredo onions of the season left Laredo last night, being a car of Bermudas from the Santa Rosa farm shipped to market through the Laredo Bermuda Onion Sales Agency.

Today two more carloads of onions were shipped through the same agency, one of the carloads coming from the Santa Rosa farm and the other from the farm of Davis McGown in North Laredo. The onions went to Eastern markets.

COMMITTEE IS APPOINTED FOR GRADING OF ONIONS

LANG, NUNN AND WESTBROOK ARE NAMED BY CHAIRMAN.

U. S. Office of Markets to Furnish Growers Full Information and Service During Season.

A grade is to be established for the onions grown in Webb county. A motion to this effect was passed at the farmers' meeting at the Chamber of Commerce last night, upon the recommendation of Prof. Fred W. Mally and the urgent endorsement of President Richter. Prof. Mally said that, regardless of who sells the onions, a grade should be established and a sub-committee appointed for this purpose.

He stated that he had called upon the U. S. Office of Markets to assist us in the marketing of this year's onion crop and that, individual growers here had also invoked the aid of the government through Congressman Garner and other sources and that this year we are to receive the government's help in this important work.

The U. S. Office of Markets will send representatives in twenty of the large cities of the North and the East and will furnish to Southwest Texas, with Laredo as headquarters, daily information as to the cars received on each market, the amount in storage, the prices, the number of cars rolling and destinations and that there will be representatives here to give out this information. The more cars of fancy onions that are reported the better prices and marketing conditions will result, as the government agents here will exchange information with those in the markets.

Mr. Richter said that such action was highly necessary. That the first essential in the marketing of every big crop was the grade and that there has been no uniform grade up to the present and no standard for the price at which our onions are sold. The chair appointed Charles Lang, A. H. Nunn and J. S. Westbrook as the committee to establish the grade for onions. There will be a general meeting of the farmers next Wednesday night.

PRaises the School Work

County Superintendent and Party Visit Rural Schools and See and Enjoy Work in Domestic Science.

Yesterday morning early County Superintendent of Schools B. Richardson, accompanied by City School Superintendent L. J. Christen, Professor Mally, the agricultural expert, Steve Simon and Mr. Weinert, left here for a tour of inspection to several of the rural schools of Webb county.

The county superintendent and his guests were met and welcomed by teachers and pupils everywhere they visited, and at Dolores the party was treated to a genuine feast provided by the teachers, Misses Dorothy and Hannah Davis and their pupils in domestic science work, and if the "eats" can be taken as a criterion of their efficiency the members of the party say they are entitled to the 100 mark in all regards so far as cookery is concerned. Another school where domestic science is a part of the daily work is Minera, where classes under Miss Daniels have become proficient in the work also. At Isitas manual training work is a part of the duties of the classes under Miss Blasingame.

The county superintendent and those who accompanied him returned to Laredo last evening singing the praises of the schools they visited at North Laredo, Leyendecker, Isitas, San Jose, (Dolores) Darwin and Minera and making many complimentary and laudatory remarks about the efficient corps of teachers and the high standard attained by all of them in their schools.

ADVANCE OF THE LAREDO CASE

Litigation on Docket State Supreme Court Will Now Get Precedence and Be Disposed of at Once.

In the supreme court of Texas at Austin yesterday, as mentioned in an Associated Press dispatch to the Times published in last issue, the motion to advance the case of the City of Laredo vs. B. F. Looney, attorney general, was granted. This was a mandamus proceeding instituted by City Attorney Winslow on the part of the City of Laredo to compel the attorney general to permit the payment of a bond issue of 1883.

By granting the motion to advance this case, the state supreme court gives the case precedence over all other litigation except that of a similar character. It is now very probable that the case will be taken up within a short time, probably next Wednesday.

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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Friday.

Laredo Choral Club will meet with Mrs. T. A. Austin at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Bishop Johnston Junior Auxiliary will meet at the rectory with Mrs. Charles Cook at four o'clock in the afternoon.

The B. Y. P. U. Jr. will meet at the Baptist Church at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Saturday.

The Blue Bonnet Club will meet with Miss Eva Scratchley at 10 o'clock in the morning.

The Entre Nous Club will meet with Miss Maud Mussett at a quarter past four o'clock in the afternoon.

The J. U. G. Club will meet with Miss Vesta Sutton at half after four o'clock in the afternoon.

At Set of Sun.

If we sit down at set of sun
And count the things that we have done,
And counting, find
One self-denying act, one word
That eased the heart of him who heard;

One glance most kind,
That fell like sunshine where it went,
Then we may count that day well spent.

But if through all the lifelong day
We've eased no heart by yea or nay;
If through it all
We've done no thing that we can trace,
That brought the sunshine to a face:
No act, most small,
That helped some soul, and nothing cost,
Then count that day as worse than lost.

General Mention.

Col. Robert Brown and Capt. Edgar Strymer have been ordered to Fort Riley, Kansas, to attend mounted service school, leaving here on April the first for a two month's detail.

Mrs. Ryan of Fort McIntosh has been quite ill for several days and is still confined to her bed.

Mr. and Mrs. Morrison and little Marjorie Lou Fish, who are spending the week in San Antonio, expect to return home on Sunday.

Mrs. K. C. King of Douglas, Ariz., will be in Laredo the latter part of next week on a visit to her parents, Capt. and Mrs. Ryan of Fort McIntosh.

Dinner.

Lieut. Gilbreath and Lieut. Coulter of Fort McIntosh entertained very pleasantly last evening with an informal dinner. Covers were laid for Lieut. and Mrs. Weaver, Misses Ryan, Smith, and Bailey; Lieuts. Zundel, Woodruff, Dwan and the hosts. Afterward a box party was enjoyed at the Royal Theatre.

Ladies Card Club of Ft. McIntosh.

The members of the Ladies Card Club of Fort McIntosh held their regular weekly game at the Ninth Infantry Club yesterday afternoon at half after two o'clock. After the series of games were played, Mrs. Read held high score, and Miss Alice Gray scored second. The hostesses of the afternoon were Mesdames Gray and Moore. Dainty cakes and sandwiches were served. Among those present were Mesdames Brown, Read, Morris, Meador, Smith, Gallagher, Loeb, Gray, Strymer, Weaver, Drain, Harris, Kinney, Harrell, Moore, and Misses Alice Gray and Dorothy Smith.

Entertainments.

Ladies Night at the Ninth Infantry Club on Wednesday evening was a most delightful affair, and dancing was the amusement of the evening. Light refreshments were served. Among those present were: Capt. and Mrs. Read, Capt. and Mrs. Loeb, Capt. and Mrs. Rucker, Mrs. C. J. John of New York, Lieut. and Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Clement, Capt. Bell, Capt. Baker, Lieuts. Woodruff, Zundel, and Cronin.

The Girls' Social Club was most delightfully entertained by Misses Elizabeth and Maud Mussett at a quarter past four o'clock yesterday afternoon. After a pleasant social hour a daintily-served two-course luncheon was enjoyed by those present. The personnel included: Misses Edna Brown, Flora Bunn, Etta Thaison, Cleo Pereira, and the hostesses. The next meeting will be with Miss Cleo Pereira on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Ruth Murphy Honored.

The following clipping, taken from an El Paso paper, will be of interest to the many friends of Miss Ruth Murphy, who is the guest of her cousins, Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Brown of El Paso. Miss Ruth has been the honoree of a number of delightful affairs, the dance mentioned below being one of them:

Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Brown entertained Friday night with a dance in the Toltce club in honor of their cousin, Miss Ruth Murphy, of Laredo, Texas, who is their house guest. The guests were received in the drawing rooms of the club by Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Brown and Miss Murphy. Mrs. Brown wore a gown of white net over satin with a girle of lavender velvet and silver lace trimmings. She carried an old fashioned round bouquet of violets, Chinese lilies and Cecil Brunner roses, in a round paper lace holder. Miss Murphy wore a gown of black taffeta made with a panier effect skirt and trimmed with black jet. She carried pink roses. After an informal reception, dancing was enjoyed in the ball room of the club. At the door, little Misses Louise Brown and Genevieve Murphy presented the dance programs to the guests. The club rooms were decorated with pink and green, quantities of pink roses and carnations being placed in baskets and vases about the rooms. Punch was enjoyed between dances. Later a buffet supper was served. The dining room was attractive with decorations of pink roses and ferns, the roses filling a basket in the center of the serving table, which was surrounded by pink candles. Assisting in entertaining were Mr. and Mrs. Alves Dixon, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ainsa, and Miss Estelle Berrien, and Lieut. R. H. Fletcher, Jr. Among the guests were Consul and Mrs. Marion Letcher, Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Loomis, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Enlow, Mr. and Mrs. Claiborne Adams, Mr. and Mrs. R. Emmett Hines, Mr. and

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COSMO HAMILTON

Display at Bon Ton.

Watch for the date of our Smart Millinery Display that will far surpass any display of previous seasons, not only in brilliancy of color but in variety and attractiveness of styles—a display of milady's headgear not soon to be forgotten. We want you to make every effort to come and see for yourself the many charming patterns we will display.

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PREPAREDNESS TO THE LIMIT.

They aren't satisfied, those Preparedness people, with having two Presidents and one real one all speaking at once in their favor and advocating great, greater, and even greatest armament on land and sea. They have gone further and fared—well, they have enlisted the poets, and whether it is for better or for worse the reader must decide. Here is a bit of verse that illustrates how a poet may be even more radical than a President. It is taken from the New York Evening Post:

A TIMELY WARNING
By Xorro Dyer Leffingwell

Look here! Some day you'll have to die,
Defy it, if you dare—
Go now, put on your Sunday clothes,
'Tis better to prepare!

A falling star might strike, some day,
Just where you stand, beware!
You'd best put on a coat of mail,
'Tis wisest to prepare.

The world is coming to an end,
The Bible tells us so,
Give up this struggle for your bread
And be prepared to go—

My God! What are we living for
If Life's one constant scare?
You may as well go dig your grave;
'Tis better to prepare!

—Literary Digest.

PERSONALS

Alfred Matthews returned yesterday from a business trip into Mexico.

Pat V. Milmo is in the city and is stopping at the Bender.

Mrs. Roy E. East of Hebbroville is a guest at the Bender.

Claude A. Brown returned to the city yesterday and is stopping at the Bender.

HAMILTON:—Wm. J. Fisher, Mexico; Mrs. Harrison, Monterey; Miss McChester, Tampico; S. D. Mathews, Monterey; Chas. Schuworth, Houston; Mrs. R. E. East, Hebbroville; A. B. Holliday, San Antonio; G. Gonzalez, Monterey; E. E. Bartholomew, San Antonio; W. R. Haan, Rio Grande; Jas. H. Dolan, San Antonio; H. H. White, Boyd Todd, Thrall; Lee Lymann, Corsicana.

BENDER:—Carl Starr, B. Myder, San Antonio; J. Donnell, Austin; O. C. Gered, F. H. Fitzsimham, San Antonio; Claud A. Brown, F. D. Dubose, San Antonio; S. Myomburt, Chicago; F. A. Meurin, H. B. Barner, San Antonio; H. N. Thomas and wife, Jackson, Tenn.; P. V. Pely, San Antonio; P. M. Bates, St. Louis, Mo.; E. M. Lewis, H. A. Sans, San Antonio; A. B. Canstern, W. C. Wilcox, Monterey; V. R. Mood, Fred C. Fimble, Jr., San Antonio; S. D. Mosk, Chicago; S. Strin, Loyal Duncan, Kansas City; Ira N. Ellis, New Orleans, La.; Dale Brown, Mission; Geo. F. Hall, San Antonio; E. E. Oliver, F. J. Smith, San Francisco, Cal.; G. G. Geyer, San Antonio; C. Stanton, Chicago, Ill.; E. W. Dewn, Philadelphia; J. H. Carter Mitchell, P. V. Milmo, San Antonio.

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Cosmo Hamilton, the well-known English novelist and dramatist, can do more things than write. At the outbreak of the war he received a commission in the anti-aircraft section of the British Naval Air service. He was ordered along with others to protect King George V against Zeppelin raids last January, and was in command of several gun and searchlight stations in London. It was he who picked up with one of his searchlights the first Zeppelin which succeeded in reaching the heart of London. Hamilton is the author of the play, "The Blindness of Virtue."

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FORTIETH BIRTHDAY OF THE TELEPHONE.

Boston, March 10.—It was just forty years ago today, on March 10, 1876, that the telephone first transmitted intelligible words. The men on ends of the wire on that important occasion are living. They have seen the great invention spread its way around the world; they have seen the expansion of distance transmission until the American continent was crossed by wires over which San Franciscans can talk with New Yorkers. They have seen wireless telephony developed as another wonder of their day.

But no event in their lives will surpass in importance the quiet scene in an attic workshop at 109 Court Street, in Boston, when forty years ago today Alexander Graham Bell spoke into his mechanism, and his assistant, listening at the other end of the wire in the next room, heard the inventor's voice clearly and distinctly. The listening man was Thomas A. Watson, now a noted ship-builder, who was Bell's aide and confidential assistant in the long, painstaking experiments that had led up to victory.

Mr. Watson has told the story himself.

"I was the only witness to Bell's accomplishment. I heard the first words ever transmitted distinctly over a wire by an electric current. These words were my own name.

"The first time that the telephone ever uttered intelligible words was on March 10, 1876, and it is certainly to be regretted that on so special an occasion the instrument was not on dress parade. There is nothing in the history of the telephone to match the famous first message of the Morse telegraph 'What hath God wrought.'

"The first recorded message of the telephone was commonplace in the extreme. It was simply 'Mr. Watson, come here, I want you.' Probably if Mr. Bell at the time had thought that he was making history he would have been better prepared.

"The occasion was merely one of an extensive series of experiments in which some small improvement in the instruments or our increased expertness in using them just made the difference between indistinctness and distinctness.

"After this first communication, the improvement was more rapid, and in the early summer of 1876, it had become possible to converse fluently between two rooms.

"It was my good fortune to have been associated with Mr. Bell during the whole of his famous experiments by which the telephone was developed from the crude and imperfect form into a commercial success. I was employed to embody in practical form his ideas. I assisted in the tests.

"On the afternoon of June 2, 1875, an accidental discovery during our experiments confirmed Mr. Bell's theories that exact sound could be transmitted. Bell's grand idea of a current of electricity which shall vary in intensity as the air varies in density during the production of a sound was nearer practical realization by our heaven-sent accident.

"Mr. Bell, in an endeavor to improve the working of the receivers, was returning one of their springs to ascertain if the pitch was correct. He had pressed it against his ear and was listening to the faint sound of the intermittent current passing through the magnet. All at once the spring of the transmitter in my room stopped vibrating, and I snapped it with my finger to start it. Instantly an excited shout came from the other room, and Mr. Bell rushed in demanding what I had done. I explained, and he asked me to do it again. I snapped the spring the rest of that afternoon and so late in the evening that the janitor, forgetting us, locked us in.

"What happened was this: the spring that I had plucked had become permanently magnetized and was in condition by its vibration to generate the sought-for undulatory electric current. This it did when I snapped it. And when the current passed through the magnet of the receiver which was pressed against Mr. Bell's ear, it set into vibration the spring of that instrument, which spring, being confined against his ear, was in a condition to vibrate as a diaphragm and not merely as a freed reed.

"The trained acoustician at once perceived that he heard loudly and clearly, not merely the pitch due to the length of the spring I was plucking, but the peculiar soft twang of that identical spring, and recognized instantly that the current carrying such a sound was realizing his long-cherished idea.

"He saw that he had here the instrument he had so long sought: that if this apparatus could transmit the quality or timber of one sound it could be made to do the same for any sound or any combination of sounds, and consequently, that most complex vibration—the sound of the human voice.

"But the real invention of the speaking telephone was no accident. That dates from the mental concep-

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"What's the matter, Dora?" asked Uncle John. "You look mournful."

"That's just the matter," said Dora. "I am more'n full."—Philadelphia Record.

tion of the undulatory electric current. The plucking of the spring that afternoon we may call an accident, but the man with a clear conception in his mind was there to grasp its meaning and turn that accident into a great historical event. Apples fell before Newton was born and cows ate them.

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A GRAFTIFYING RESPONSE.

The prompt response of President Wilson to the challenge of Villa is not so surprising as it is graftifying. There are few who have watched the course of events who have doubted the moral bravery of the president, while some have questioned his judgment in the Mexican policy.

There can be no doubt that the recent raid of the Villistas was a direct insult flung into the face of the American government in the hope of "starting something." And the results may not be so pleasant as was expected.

Five thousand troops are to be sent in pursuit of the bandits, with instructions to bring Villa in, dead or alive. With the border closely guarded, and with the co-operation of the Mexican forces, such as we have a right to expect, the capture of the bandits should be a matter of but a short time.

Heretofore all pursuit of Villa has been but half-hearted. Many of those who were ordered to capture him had a sneaking admiration for his previous exploits, while there were undoubtedly those who feared to drive him into a corner.

The American troops will be animated by a desire to put a final stop to the raids across the border which have resulted in the killing of several Americans, as well as by the desire to avenge the death of their comrades.

Among the soldiers sent on the expedition there are many who have had experience in similar expeditions in the Philippines, and all of them are hardened by their service on the border. Incidentally, they are all in good health, well equipped and armed, and they will be supplied with all that is necessary in the way of rations and clothing.

They will have an advantage over the revolutionary troops, who have been poorly fed, poorly equipped, in many instances poorly armed and always poorly paid. They are well disciplined, and many of them have an intimate knowledge of the sort of country they will have to traverse.

It is explicitly stated in Washington that the present move is not in the nature of intervention, but is solely a punitive expedition, and Ambassador Arredondo, while refusing to say much for publication, stated that he believed it would meet with the approval of Carranza.

In fact, there is no reason to suppose otherwise, granting Carranza the possession of ordinary judgment, for it cannot but be to his advantage that American troops should aid in ridding his country of the menace of these bandits, who have robbed and murdered without discrimination.

Had such a move been made long ago, it is probable that there would have been fewer American deaths to report, and that the border country, at least, would long ago have been pacified.

The documents which Villa lost in his precipitate flight prove, so it is claimed, that he has contemplated this raid into American territory ever since the recognition of Carranza and, that it was inspired solely by motives of revenge.

At any rate, from now on he will be a hunted criminal, with a price on his head, for not only Carranza but the United States government has now an interest in his capture. And unless he can reach the refuge of Guatemala, there is no place where he can be assured of safety from pursuit.

It is gratifying to note that, so far as learned, everyone approves the action of Mr. Wilson. It would be hard to find anything that could be more acceptable to the American people than a campaign designed to put an end to the abuses from which the border has suffered, and from which many others remote from the scene of the troubles have had their share of suffering.

PETTY TECHNICALITIES.

A great deal of time is being wasted over the charges and denials of Germany and Great Britain as to what caused the submarine campaign of the former country.

Germany says it was in retaliation for the attempt on the part of Great Britain to cut off food supplies from starving German women and children, while England retorts that the submarines torpedoed several British vessels before the blockade was ordered.

In either case we can have no concern with what caused the illegal and unauthorized sinking of passenger vessels without warning, especially in the cases where American citizens lost their lives.

Our only concern is whether or not our citizens may go abroad on their legitimate business without fear of being killed because Great Britain and Germany are at war.

The American citizens killed by German submarines had no interest,

in the war, and most of them had no personal feelings in regard to the success or failure of either side. They were exercising a legitimate right of travel on the high seas, and Germany violated every principle of international law, to say nothing of humanity, in killing them.

If a man kills an innocent bystander in an attempt to kill an enemy, he is adjudged guilty of murder, without regard to the question of whether the innocent victim was friendly to one or the other of the original parties to the quarrel.

Even if a man kills another while attempting to commit suicide, he is considered guilty of manslaughter, although he might have had no animosity toward his innocent victim.

Germany deliberately and with malice aforethought sank the Lusitania and other vessels carrying innocent and neutral passengers. She had ample information concerning the character of the passengers on the Lusitania and even attempted through her agents in this country to warn them from taking passage on the Lusitania, which is proof conclusive that she intended to sink the Lusitania without further warning.

In the case of an individual this would be such conclusive evidence of wrongful intent that it would convince the most stupid jury on earth of the guilt of the accused. In what does Germany as a nation plead immunity from punishment which would be meted to an individual?

The attempts to cloud the issue by charging that her acts in sinking various ships containing Americans were merely in retaliation for acts committed by the English will not hold water.

Italian ships have been sunk without warning, and Americans have met their death on those ships. Will Germany argue that Italy has attempted to starve German women and children by a blockade of German ports, and therefore presumably has done nothing which could call forth an act of "retaliation," yet French ships have been wantonly torpedoed without warning, and innocent passengers have gone to a watery death.

The truth is that Germany is grasping at straws to justify her actions, which she knows are the basest of any which a presumably civilized nation has ever committed. Anything to befog the legal controversy in order that the submarine warfare may continue and the British may be "punished" for their perfidy—in German eyes.

Our diplomatic controversy should be brought to an end. The stand of President Wilson is the correct one, and he should accept no paltering or evasion. He should demand a direct answer based upon the abuses of American neutrality, regardless of what Great Britain has done to Germany. We are fortunately not responsible for what England is doing or has done.

The apparent discrepancy in the number of dead—14 Mexicans and 15 Americans—in the battle Thursday was corrected yesterday when it was announced that approximately 200 Mexicans were killed. This is nearer to the old formula of 16 to 1.

Gen. Funston's request for permission to cross the border was promptly—and satisfactorily—granted. The little fighter does not often talk, but when he does, he says something.

Villa is now wanted, dead or alive. We have a moving picture of where Pancho is either eliminated for good and all, or makes his safe getaway into Guatemala. No other place, except the grave, will ever offer him a refuge from the present pursuit.

This may put a stop to the constant sneers of certain elements that the American government is too cowardly to act in the face of the abuses that have been committed. At any rate, it will not be well for any one who doubts the courage of Uncle Sam to test it.

SOME ONIONS ROLLING OUT

But It Will Be About Ten Days Before the Heavy or Trainload Shipments Are Expected to Start.

The rush of onion shipments from Laredo to Northern and Eastern markets will be in full blast within the next ten days. In fact shipments have already started, but these are carload lots and very few cars have moved so far. Up to this morning a total of six carloads had been shipped from Laredo. Five of these were fully matured onions and one carload was of sets.

As soon as the heavy shipments begin trainloads of onions will be rolling out of this city day and night and the packers and shippers will be kept busy crating and packing the onions into cars preparatory to rushing them to market. The new Texas Bermuda onions are expected to command a fancy price at this time and returns are eagerly awaited.

NEW CARS BEING OPERATED NOW OVER DIVERTED ROUTE

LAREDO CAR LINE WAS OLDEST WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI.

At One Time the Cars Operated in Both This City and Nuevo Laredo, Crossing International Bridge.

An epoch in the street railway system of Laredo was established this morning, when the street car system which was built in Laredo during 1889, being the first electric railway west of the Mississippi river, not only operated cars over a diverted route that now penetrated the business district of the city, but a big improvement was made in cars, when new and more modern rolling stock was established in service.

Laredo enjoys the distinction of having one of the oldest street railway systems in the south, and especially west of the Mississippi river, and during that time the street railway has been one of the principal public utilities of the city. Some of the cars that were at first used in service on the line were the results of home industry and manufacture, and later an improved pattern of car was used. For many years the Laredo street cars crossed the international bridge and operated into Nuevo Laredo, the track at that time turning off Farragut street and going south along Convent Avenue to the river front and thence over the bridge to the Mexican city.

The operators of the system experienced many vicissitudes in the early days in maintaining the system at a standard commensurate with the demand for cars, which was very slim then. But despite all the obstacles that confronted the original owners of the line, they kept the cars rolling and for a long time the operating expenses far exceeded the receipts.

As Laredo began to improve and take on new life the revivification likewise affected the street railway system and during the past few years a number of improvements have been made. About two years ago a St. Louis syndicate headed by R. W. Morrison took over the line and since that time the improvements that have been made in the Laredo street railway are most pronounced, but that inaugurated today, the installing of new cars and the operating over a new route, are the greatest improvements ever made in the street railway system here. President Morrison says, however, that it is his purpose and intention to gradually improve the system until it shall become second to none in the state. In his work he is ably assisted by John B. Morton, the local manager of the company.

The new cars established in service this morning are running on a fifteen-minute schedule, but eventually it is the hope of President Morrison to decrease this time to ten minutes, and then Laredo will have a street car service and schedule equal to any in Texas as far as time is concerned, and considering the distance the cars will operate on each run. Today the new cars are in charge of ladies as conductors, as the revenues derived from the first day operation of the cars will go to the Woman's Club and the Heights Civic Club.

The motormen appearing on the new cars this morning were attired in nifty olive drab uniforms with military vicer caps to match and presented a very neat and attractive appearance.

A Deserved Promotion.

President Morrison of the street railway company this morning announced the appointment of Manuel Bocanegra, the oldest motorman in the service of the local company, as superintendent of operations, and he will have charge of the motormen and operation of the cars. "Honest John," as he is familiarly called by those who know the real significance of that sobriquet, is a man deserving of promotion, and one of the first to recognize this fact was President Morrison. "He is called 'Honest John,'" said Mr. Morrison, "and is popular with everybody. He is a man that is faithful and reliable, and when I looked about for a superintendent of operations I thought it was but right to recognize meritorious service in years past and make Manuel Bocanegra my superintendent of operations." And in this appointment everybody congratulates Mr. Morrison and believes he could not have bestowed the honor on a more deserving and faithful employee.

A NOTRE DAME LADY'S APPEAL.

To all knowing sufferers of rheumatism, whether muscular or of the joints, sciatica, lumbago, backache, pains in the kidneys or neuralgia, please to write to her for a home treatment. She feels it her duty to send it to all sufferers FREE. You cure yourself at home as thousands will testify—no change of climate being necessary. This simple discovery banishes uric acid from the blood, loosens the stiffened joints, purifies the blood, and brightens the eyes, giving elasticity and tone to the whole system. If the above interests you, for proof address Mrs. M. Summers, Box B, Notre Dame, Ind.

SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT

ARRIVED IN LAREDO YESTERDAY ON HIS WAY TO MEXICO

Where He Goes to Confer With General Carranza, Whom He Expects to Meet at Town of Ocotlan.

Mr. Jose W. Rodgers, special representative of the state department of the United States government to General Carranza (and not a representative of General Carranza as erroneously stated before) arrived in Laredo yesterday afternoon and was met at the station here by Major Switzer, commander of the Ninth Infantry Camp, United States Consul Garrett and Dr. H. C. Hall, the state quarantine officer. He was escorted to the Shelby House, where he was entertained as the guest of Brigadier General Evans and occupied his apartments at that place.

Shortly after his arrival here Mr. Rodgers was visited by the Times reporter and asked some things concerning the developments in the Columbus, New Mexico, affair and the ordering of troops across the border. To this Mr. Rodgers, who is a very affable gentleman and pleasant conversationalist, replied: "The only thing I know about the raid is what I read in the papers this morning. The first intimation I had that a troop movement was ordered was what I have just read in the Laredo Times Extra. I have had no official information on the subject, and therefore I am not in a position to speak officially. But the situation appears acute at this time."

Continuing his conversation Mr. Rodgers said: "I leave tomorrow for Mexico to meet General Carranza and confer with him on matters of importance. I expect to meet the first chief at Ocotlan, a small place between Guadalajara and Irapuato, where he is now stopping. How long I will remain in Mexico I am unable to say at this time, but I am going there on special business for the state department with General Carranza." Last night Mr. Rodgers was the guest at a supper given in his honor and the guests included Major Switzer, United States Consul Garrett and United States Vice Consul Shelby Theriot. This morning Mr. Rodgers left for Ocotlan, Mexico, to meet First Chief Carranza and confer with him.

CORPUS CHRISTI GOES "DRY"

One Wouldn't Believe Such Was Possible, But It Really Happened Yesterday in Special Election.

The news received in Laredo last night by the Times and posted in a bulletin at Moser's Store and thrown on the screens at both the Royal and the Strand Theatres, gave Laredo people the first results of the startling news from Corpus Christi that Nueces county had dropped into the "dry" column and that our nearest seaside resort would henceforth experience a drought for at least two years—long enough to kill the old town so dead resurrection will be almost impossible after the people come to their senses.

The news that Corpus Christi had voted "wet," but that her small majority had been overcome by the other fifteen precincts of the county, and that consequently old Nueces went "dry," dumfounded those who seemingly appeared certain that such a thing was impossible. The effect of prohibition on Corpus Christi as a summer resort will be watched with keen interest. The saloons down there have sixty days in which to dispose of their business and hike to more inviting fields where the sale of liquor is permissible.

Dangers of Draft.

Drafts feel best when we are hot and perspiring, just when they are most dangerous and the result is Neuralgia, Stiff Neck, Sore Muscles or sometimes an attack of Rheumatism. In such cases apply Sloan's Liniment. It stimulates circulation to the sore and painful part. The blood flows freely and in a short time the stiffness and pain leaves. Those suffering from Neuralgia or Neuralgic Headache will find one or two applications of Sloan's Liniment will give grateful relief. The agonizing pain gives way to a tingling sensation of comfort and warmth and quiet rest and sleep is possible. Good for Neuritis too. Price 25c at your drugist.

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LITTLE LOCALS

—Last night at the Strand the large audiences were delighted with the production of the impressing drama, "The Cowardly Way," with Florence Reed in the leading role. Besides this the Strand had another feature in "The Wanderers," making a total bill of eight interesting reels.

—Fine home-made tamales will be sold at Mrs. Puster's Tuesday afternoon, March 14th. Benefit of Christ Church. Phone your orders not later than Monday afternoon. 3-11-2t.

—A stunning lot of dress hats to be displayed at The Bon Ton during March will create more than the usual interest in Millady's Spring Chapeau. 3-7-5t.

—The dramatization of Cervantes' famous novel, a story many have read in days of youth or long ago, "Don Quixote," was presented at the Royal last night. When the old knight (which he imagines himself to be) charges the windmills and is rescued by Sancho Panza, his faithful servant, who is depicted riding his steed (a burro), recalls passages in the novel that refreshes one's memory on the grand old story.

—We buy, sell, rent and exchange furniture of all kinds. Beds and mattresses for the celebration. Renovation of mattresses a specialty. Phone 417. H. Dubin Mercantile Co., 1119 Turbide street. 2-12-1m.

—Instead of having the street cars passing by the side of the Times office, as has been the custom for the past 28 years, today they began passing the front door—and not very far from that opening, either. But the grind of the cars makes no difference to the inmates of the Times sanctum—they long ago became accustomed to that.

—Mrs. Puster will have delicious tamales on sale at her residence Tuesday afternoon for the benefit of Christ Church. Be sure and order some by phone not later than Monday afternoon. 3-11-2t.

—Now is the time to clip your horses. We do it at a reasonable charge. Laredo Transfer Co. Phone 864. 1-27-1t.

—On next Wednesday night the initial concert of the summer season will be given by the Ninth Infantry Band at the Ninth Infantry Camp, and then thereafter on every Wednesday evening. The same band will give the opening summer concert on Jarvis Plaza next Thursday night, and then thereafter on every Thursday evening throughout the summer.

—Teacher of English, Spanish and Gregg Shorthand, evening lessons only. Apply Will W. Gregg, Times office. 10-11-1t.

—The new street cars being a novelty, and the further fact that the fair sex were conductors, has been the cause of many people taking rides on the street cars today who would not otherwise have done so.

—Handkerchiefs, laces, domestics, lawns and house furnishings at Saff's. 2-29-1t.

—It is worth while to wait and get the hat that pleases you and is admired by others. This is the kind you will find at The Bon Ton's showing of Easter Millinery. 3-7-5t.

—The developments in the Mexican situation are watched with eager interest now. The straining point has practically been reached and "watchful waiting" has ceased "to be a virtue." The U. S. troops are after the Villa bandits—and Carranza has been asked to help. What will be the result?

—If you like good tamales phone your order not later than Monday afternoon to Mrs. Puster No. 537. The ladies of Christ Church will hold a tamale sale Tuesday afternoon. 3-11-2t.

—Eastern Hair Dressing Shop, 1210 Lincoln street. Phone 889 for appointment. 9-23-1t.

—The importations through this port from Mexico yesterday afternoon consisted of seven carloads of calamine, one carload of hides, two carloads of bones and one carload of skins.

—For self starter work see Yeary at the Citizens Garage. 6-25-1t.

—Will W. Gregg, Notary Public, at Times office. 6-5-1t (Adv.)

—The new street cars have attracted considerable attention as they passed along the new route today. Many people who embarked on the cars for a ride did not save the "PAY-E" or "pay as you enter" system and looked askance at the conductors when they indicated to them the receptacle installed to receive fares. But Laredo folks are gradually coming to the front and "catching on" to new things.

—Do you desire comfort? Use electric lights and fans.

4-24-1t. (Adv.)

—The Knights Templar have accepted the invitation of Christ Church to attend in a body and in uniform the Easter services.

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SOCIETY

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SOCIAL CALENDAR.

Saturday.

The Blue Bonnet Club will meet with Miss Eva Scratchley at 10 o'clock in the morning.

The Entre Nous Club will meet with Miss Maud Mussett at a quarter past four o'clock in the afternoon.

The J. U. G. Club will meet with Miss Vesta Sutton at half after four o'clock in the afternoon.

Sunday.

The Christian Endeavor Society will hold its regular weekly meeting at the Christian church at half after six o'clock in the evening.

The B. Y. P. U. Sr. will meet at the Baptist church at seven o'clock in the evening. The Epworth League Society will hold its regular weekly meeting at the Methodist church at half after six o'clock in the evening.

Monday.

The Music Department of the Women's Club will meet at Mrs. D. F. Anderson's Studio at four o'clock in the afternoon.

The Coming of Spring.

The sunshine soft, the balmy air, Invite me forth, away dull care; An ideal world awaits me there; Earth, air and sky clasp hands to sing A psalm of welcome to spring, sweet spring.

What joy to feel the wondrous thrill of waking life! The brooding warmth, the happy strife Of growing things that waste to weave Their emerald robes, and quickly cleave The warm, soft earth; their offering A "broided gown for gentle Spring Whose joyous birth Brings gladness and beauty to Mother Earth.

—Laura Carpenter.

General Mention.

Mrs. Gregory and little daughter Judith have returned to Laredo after an absence of several months to remain for some time.

Mr. H. B. Gullette and son, Mr. Claude Gullette, came in from Mexico overland in their automobile, and will spend a week with relatives.

Mrs. J. O. Buenz and son Fred returned today from San Antonio and other points where they have been for the past two weeks. While in San Antonio Mrs. Buenz enjoyed seeing "The Garden of Allah" and "Every Woman."

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Guinn and children left yesterday for Marlin Springs, to be gone for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitted and Miss Mollie Whitted came in from Webb for the day yesterday, returning home in the evening.

Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Sauvignat and little daughter Gladys, left for San Antonio this morning to attend the medical convention, of which Dr. Sauvignat is the president.

Mrs. A. T. Woodhouse has returned to her home in Raymondsville after having been the guest of relatives.—San Antonio Express

Club Notes.

The B. Y. P. U. Jr. held their regular weekly meeting at the Baptist Church yesterday afternoon at four o'clock. Mrs. Sallee was the leader and Miss Margaret Clafin the organist. The subject of the lesson was "Jesus Tried," and the leader of the class was Miss Rena Bertrand. At the conclusion of the lesson it was decided to have the meetings hereafter on Sunday evening at seven o'clock, and to also take up a collection for the missions, each member promising to contribute a certain amount. Several songs were also on the program. Those present were: Mrs. Sallee, Beniah Putman, Margaret Clafin, Alma McMicken, Elizabeth Mary Woods, Tina Salazar, Emma Salazar, Rena Bertrand, Lilian Bertrand, Gorham Woods, Frank Dickey, and D. J. Putman.

Bishop Johnston Junior Auxiliary held its regular weekly meeting at the rectory yesterday afternoon at four o'clock. A chapter on "Our Wonderful Faith" by R. R. Edward Seabourne, Bishop of Illinois, was read by Mrs. Cook. This reading was especially interesting, as the book was sent to Mrs. Cook by the bishop, on his return home after a visit to Laredo. The auxiliary is doing good

PERSONALS

Chas. E. Davis of San Antonio is in the city.

R. K. Mims left last night for San Antonio on a short business trip. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Anderson and baby of Houston arrived in the city yesterday for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Guinn left yesterday for Mineral Wells for a short stay for Mr. Guinn's health.

C. H. Clifton came in yesterday from his ranch near Webb and left this morning for the Espejo.

HAMILTON:—Pedro R. Botello, New York; Geo. C. Matson, Washington; Chas. E. Davis, San Antonio; J. J. Sanders, Alice; Miss M. Green, O. W. Brodshaw, Mexico; Jno. H. D. Rowan, Baltimore; L. G. Jameson, Villaladama; K. B. Shangle, Seattle, Wash.; G. Woellhapp, W. G. Grecht, Villaladama.

work, and much interest is being manifested by the members. Mrs. Pennell has offered to give the members one lesson a month in cooking, and Mrs. Reid Puster to help them with their crochet. Those present were: Mrs. Cook, Willie Belle Brennan, Margaret Lutz, Martha Anderson, Violet Oberfeldt and Ruth Netzer.

The Blue Bonnet Club met this morning with Miss Eva Scratchley at ten o'clock. This was a business meeting for perfecting arrangements for a picnic to be given after Easter. Several members were voted in. At the conclusion of the business session a delightful salad and ice course was served. The personnel included: Misses Willie Belle Brennan, Elsie Werner, Laura Taylor, Margaret Sturtevant, Margaret Hazelrigg, Dora Becker, Merrell Lake, and the hostess. This club will hold its meetings every Saturday.

Entertainments.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thompson entertained the Pythian Sisters most delightfully last evening. Music and a number of contest games were the amusements of the evening, at the conclusion of which sandwiches and coffee, cake and tea were served. Those to enjoy the hospitality of the evening were: Mesdames Sharkey, Barthelow, Pereira, Kelly, Vollmer, Hooper, Howell; Misses Cleo Pereira, Jessie Hillert, Anita Sharkey, Vera Sharkey, Mildred Spurrier and Bertha Hooper.

General Federation Work.

The President.

Mrs. Pennybacker, president of the General Federation, is again at her home in Austin, Texas, where she will remain for two months, when she will visit a few State Federations before the New York Biennial. Mrs. Pennybacker looks in better physical condition than when she entered upon her official duties in July, 1912.

Notable Address.

Among the many interesting features of the New York Biennial will be an address by Mme. Blanche de Baralt, of Havana, Cuba, who was one of the stars at the recent Pan-American Scientific Congress in Washington City. Mme. de Baralt is the wife of a university professor in Cuba, and is herself a Doctor of Philosophy, speaking three languages fluently. She has lectured at Columbia University, Wellesley College, and various other points in the United States. She will speak on President's Night at the Biennial, at the special invitation of Mrs. Pennybacker, delivering a message from the Latin-American women. She is said to be good to look upon, charming in manner, and an eloquent speaker.

A Correction.

The luncheon in honor of the State Federation Presidents at the time of the Biennial will be given by the Local Biennial Board of New York City, and not by the Board of the General Federation, as announced in Bulletin 39.

From the Music Department. The Music Department of the General Federation announces for distribution a reading list prepared by Mrs. Thomas G. Winter, chairman of the Literature Department. This list is for combination programs on the history, art, literature, and music of Italy, arranged by the Music Department.

Among the new books for musical study lately issued is on American Music—Autobiographical Sketches and Programs. More than fifty American composers are listed who have prepared programs of their latest and most characteristic compositions.

There are also two books on Nationalities in Music, including Italy, France, England, Spain, Portugal, Greece and Japan, and early as well as modern music has been included. There will be much excellent music at the New York Biennial, and the Music Conference will be preceded by a luncheon.